

Dear Families of Second Graders,

We are beginning a new unit about the importance and meaning of family to Native people, specifically Wabanaki people. The objective of this unit is to help children understand how important families are and strengthen the notion of extended family, community and tribal connections.

The first activity is for students to complete the attached chart with an adult in their home using the list below as a guide. Have your child place him/herself in the center rectangle and then begin to add family members to each "layer". It would help if you could include titles instead of names as space is limited. The idea is to place those family members you believe to be closer in the boxes next to your child and make your way to the outer edges. This will help your child see how you define family.

We'll be adding each chart to our board and compare them to another defining Wabanaki family, looking for similarities.

Please feel free to contact me at _____ if you have any questions or need further explanation.

Thank you for your help,

Your Name

Teacher and School