

Commitments made in a fifth grade classroom in which the theme for the learning community is “Community Starts With The Person Next To You,” and last year’s theme was “Everybody Has Some Responsibility For The Success Of Everybody,”

- I’ll include kids in games even if they’re not great athletes.
- I’ll greet newcomers.
- I’ll eat lunch with different kids – not always with my friends.
- I’ll stop laughing when _____ talks with his accent.
- I’ll choose partners for activities I usually wouldn’t choose.
- I’ll try to limit my gossiping.
- I’ll stick up for younger kids who are getting picked in at recess.
- I’ll learn about Native Americans so _____ doesn’t always have to explain what it’s like to be Narragansett.
- I’ll stop saying “Speddies.”
- I’ll teach _____ how to throw and won’t laugh at him when he misses.
- I’ll keep my bad moods to myself and if I really need help I’ll ask for it.
- I’ll wait until other kids have a chance to answer before I wave my hand like I always do.
- I’ll ask people if they want to play rough before playing rough.
- I won’t make such a big deal out of style.
- I’ll volunteer to mentor the fourth graders who will be fifth graders next year.
- I’ll walk away if people are gossiping and they won’t stop.