

Summer 2022 Week 1- Sports

Design a Mascot

K-5

Objective: Students will collaborate to generate team mascot ideas and design their club mascot.

Topics & Keywords for Discussion:

Brainstorm: a spontaneous group discussion to produce ideas and ways of solving problems.

Materials: copy paper, pencils, colored pencils/markers/crayons.

Opening activity: Form teams of 4-6 members. Let them know that today's activity is creating a MASCOT for the CLUB. Have them spend 5 minutes brainstorming ideas for their proposed mascot: what kind of animals or characters would best represent the energy and spirit of their club? Would it be weather related? Cartoon related? What qualities are they proud of: bravery/courage, talent/skill, sassiness, power/strength, genius/cleverness? Work with each team to come up with as MANY ideas as possible- see if ANY team comes up with 100 ideas!!!

Core Activity: Each member should pick their top 3 FAVORITE ideas and draw those 3 mascot ideas WITH THEIR NAME on a blank sheet of paper. Have them INCLUDE the CLUB name with the mascot name. When every team has completed their mascots, give the WHOLE GROUP an opportunity, one team at a time, to share a few of their mascots. DEFINITELY display the top mascot ideas in the room to encourage members!

Reflection: As students help clean up the space, ask them: did you like this activity? Why or why not? Should the club choose just 1 mascot to represent the club? How would you present YOUR idea to the Club Director?? If they are available, have the Club Director come to the group and select a few mascots to consider for the club!

