

# Welcome to Our Community!



**Videoconferencing Project**  
**GRADE ONE SOCIAL STUDIES**  
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When Do You Start?

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, April  
28<sup>th</sup>, 2008

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**Project Completion Date:** Project  
completion timelines will be  
established once the number of

participating schools has been determined. (mid May to mid June)

Who can participate?

Target audience: Grade one classes (English and/or French Immersion)

Summarized Curricular Outcomes

Social Studies

1.1.5 distinguish geographic features in their own community from other communities by exploring and reflecting upon the following questions for inquiry:

- ❑ What are some familiar landmarks and places in my community?
- ❑ Why are these landmarks and places significant features of the community?
- ❑ What are some differences between rural and urban communities?
- ❑ What makes my community unique?
- ❑ Where is my community on a map?

## What is involved?

1. Go on a class field trip. Take pictures of places in your community you would like to tell others about.
2. Each student will write about one picture
3. Picture and write up will be created using PPT (teacher)
4. Practice your presentation (student)
5. Complete a copy of What Am I? (class activity)
6. Find your community on the map of Alberta
7. Now you should be ready to tell another community about you. You will do this by videoconferencing!

## Video Conferencing information:

1. Once all participants have been determined you will receive the contact information for the class you will be connecting to. A test connection will be established a week before the conference.
2. Bridgit will be used to view photos/PPT (if you are not familiar with Bridgit, information will be made available to you). Bridgit is an Internet based program that allows you to share desktops. It is very easy to use.

Check out the Website for more information:

<http://www.blackgold.ab.ca/ict/Divison1/Community1/index.htm>

To participate in the project

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