

# Unit 1a: School Wide Theme

Content Area: **Unified Arts**  
Course(s): **Art 2**  
Time Period: **September**  
Length: **1 week**  
Status: **Published**

## Unit Summary

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Students will be introduced to a school wide theme in the beginning of the year to help build a sense of community throughout our building.

## Student Learning Objectives

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Students will learn to...

- create art that shows a theme or symbol.
- explain the school wide theme.
- discuss the life and Art of Henri Matisse
- create a cut paper design in the style of Henri Matisse
- work in small groups to design a finished work of art
- brainstorm ideas on what we can achieve when we all work together
- demonstrate skill in using glue and scissors
- recognize and use contrasting colors

## Essential Questions

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- How can we make art as a group?
- Is there a right or a wrong way to create Art?
- How can a theme bring people together?

## Enduring Understandings

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Students will understand that...

- Art can be a line of communication, it is a language everyone around the world can speak
- Art reflects individual, community, and cultural differences throughout the world
- Art can show different views, opinions, and interpretations
- Art is an effective way to express ideas and emotions
- There is not one way to solve a creative problem. The process is part of solving problems
- Art can be collaborative

## Application

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Students will be able to independently use their learning to...

- feel connected with our school after discussing our school wide theme and creating a group project around it.
- cut paper collage- cut shapes arranged and glued onto a background paper
- utilize layers- one thing on top of another
- utilize pattern- The repetition of any thing, shape, color, form
- utilize contrasting colors- A large difference between two colors; for example, green and red, yellow and purple, black and white

## Skills

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Students will be skilled at...

- working in small groups to design a finished work of art.
- brainstorming ideas on how to get a visual message across with out using words or letters.
- demonstrating skill in various art media.

## Resources

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- Dropping in on Matisse
- "Visual aids
- 9"x12" colored construction paper
- 3"x3" paper
- scissors
- glue
- pencil
- oil pastels