Piscataway Clan Animal Cheat Sheet for Teachers.

1. Pass out the cards as evenly as possible from the 7 different clans with one card to each student according to their personality:

Beaver – your most successful students

Bear – your strongest – toughest students

Deer – your most compassionate, sensitive students

Snake – your most active non-stop students

Turkey – your assertive, confident students

Turtle – your most quiet students

Wolf – your most friendly students or any clique

2. Have the students watch the clan animals only video and observe how their animal moves in nature.

With a blank piece of paper they should write 3 things about their animal I have given them two other things, they just need to find one thing about the animal that relates to them and their personality.

How does their animal look at the world?

How do other animals look at your animal?

If your animal could speak to you what would it say?

3. Observe the dance in the longer video. There are three rules

     A. The dance is a simple toe heel two step like walking - step on the beat with your toes first and then on your heel.   Using the next foot step with your toes on the beat and then your heel.

     2. Don't ever touch

     3. Don't ever make fun of your animal or anyone else, instead try to close your eyes and feel your animal inside of you

4. Have the animals come in in flocks or groups and show all the other animals who they are.

5. Are there other animals you would like to try, are there other animals you feel are a part of your personality?

6. Use a talking circle so that each student who wants to gets to reflect on their animal and experience.

7. Why did the Piscataway use clan animals when making decisions for the tribe?