

I have chose to use my mentor's reflection of our ECAP project in order to demonstrate my knowledge related to the TRB standard four. This standard speaks to the involvement of community within schools. For our ECAP project we were able to connect with a grade two class at a local elementary school to introduce and promote environmental education within the school. By connecting community to school I believe that we are able to enrich our student's learning. As my socials teacher has said, the textbook isn't the class! It's great to use worksheets and textbooks as a resource, but unless students are experiencing their learning in a hands on experiential way, I believe that they ultimately lose out on great enriched learning opportunities. This is a key aspect to my professional teaching career because as a teacher I hope to always remember that worksheets and textbooks aren't what makes a class, it is instead the experiences we engage our students in and without community these experiences wouldn't be possible!