

Home is where the wind whistles through the trees,
Where laughs are always present.
And where rugged stairs are skipped aplenty.

Home is where I find myself,
Everytime I need somewhere to be.
Where everyone knows me.
But,
Home is also where change occurs.
And agruments happen.
But I still love home.

Because in the end it's where I want to be.
Where family resides. And when I leave my own home.
I'll never forget where I came from.

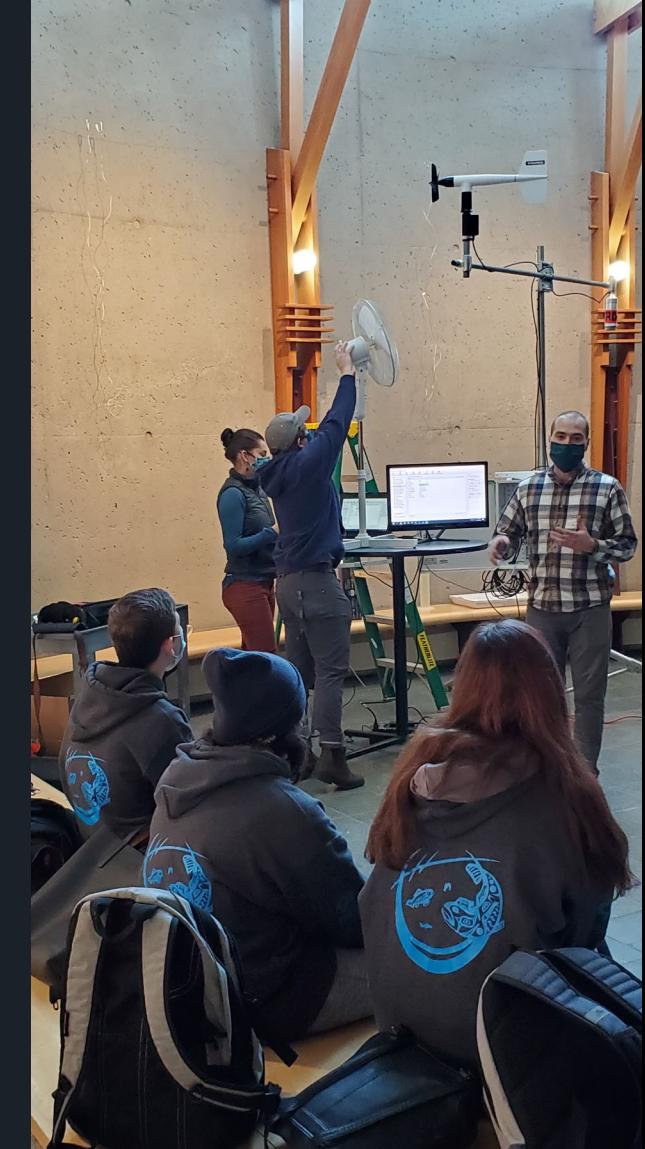
Place-Based Learning to Engage and Empower Learners: An Update.



Is This The Only Way to Engage?



Or Can This be
Engagement ...





- Does all Assessment have to Look Like This?

What is Place-based Learning?

“Place” refers to location – or learning wherever you are. Vander Ark, et al. (2020) defines place-based learning as something that can happen “anywhere at anytime” (p. 2) if it uses the power of place to make a learner’s experience more personalized.

The Center for Place-Based Education at Antioch University expands the concept of place-based learning to include place as not just a physical concept, but one of heritage, culture, opportunity and experience as cited in Vander Ark et al., 2020 (p. 2)

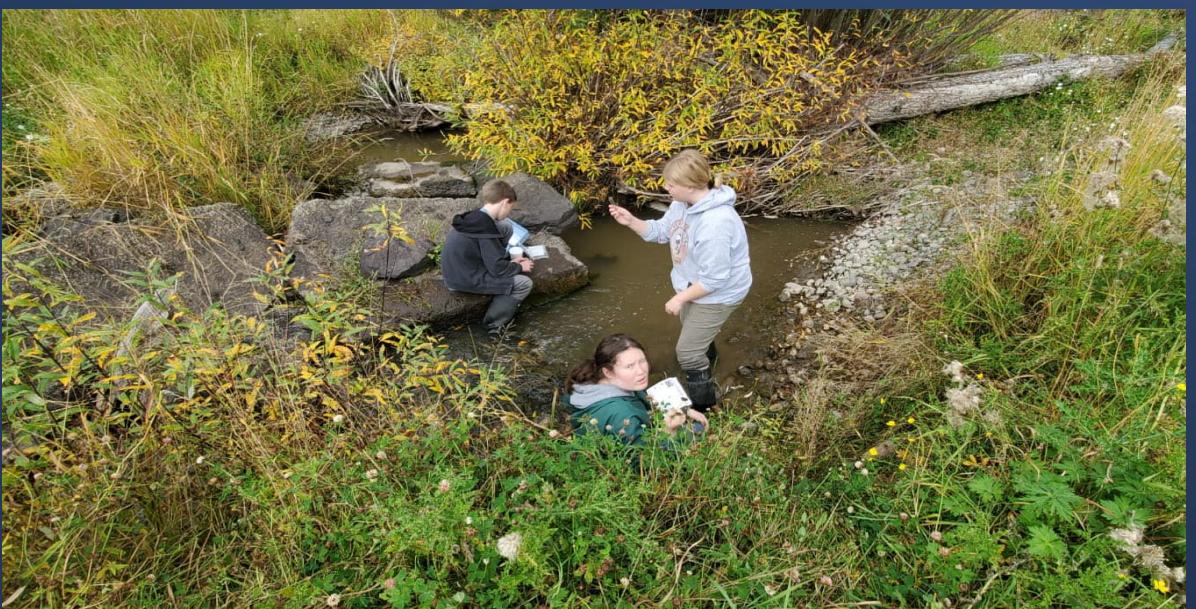


Learner Engagement Begins with
Educators Trying New Things



And is Powered by
Leadership ...







Are We Engaged?

Just Ask The Experts.



- And Now Back To The Educators ...



The Creation of Place

Why is it so important?

- **Creation of place gives learners the ability to create space for the narrative of their learning.**

Why is it often disregarded?

- **Reluctance to take risks**
- **Accountability**
- **Cost**



New Opportunities With Community Partners

Is This Engagement?

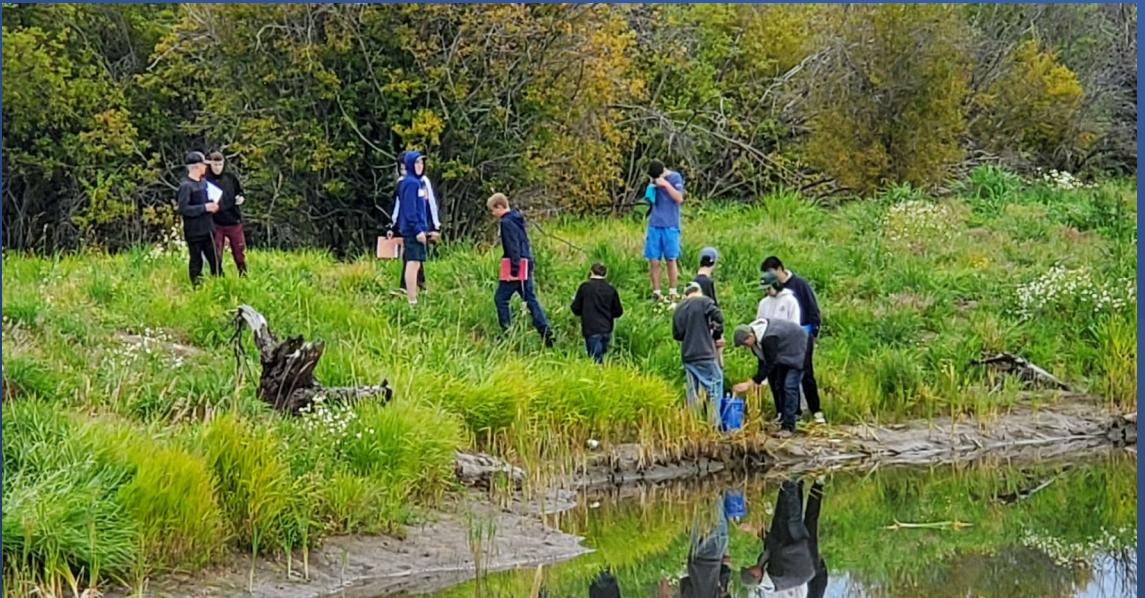




New Horizons Bring
New Opportunities



New Classrooms





Assessment Through Engagement

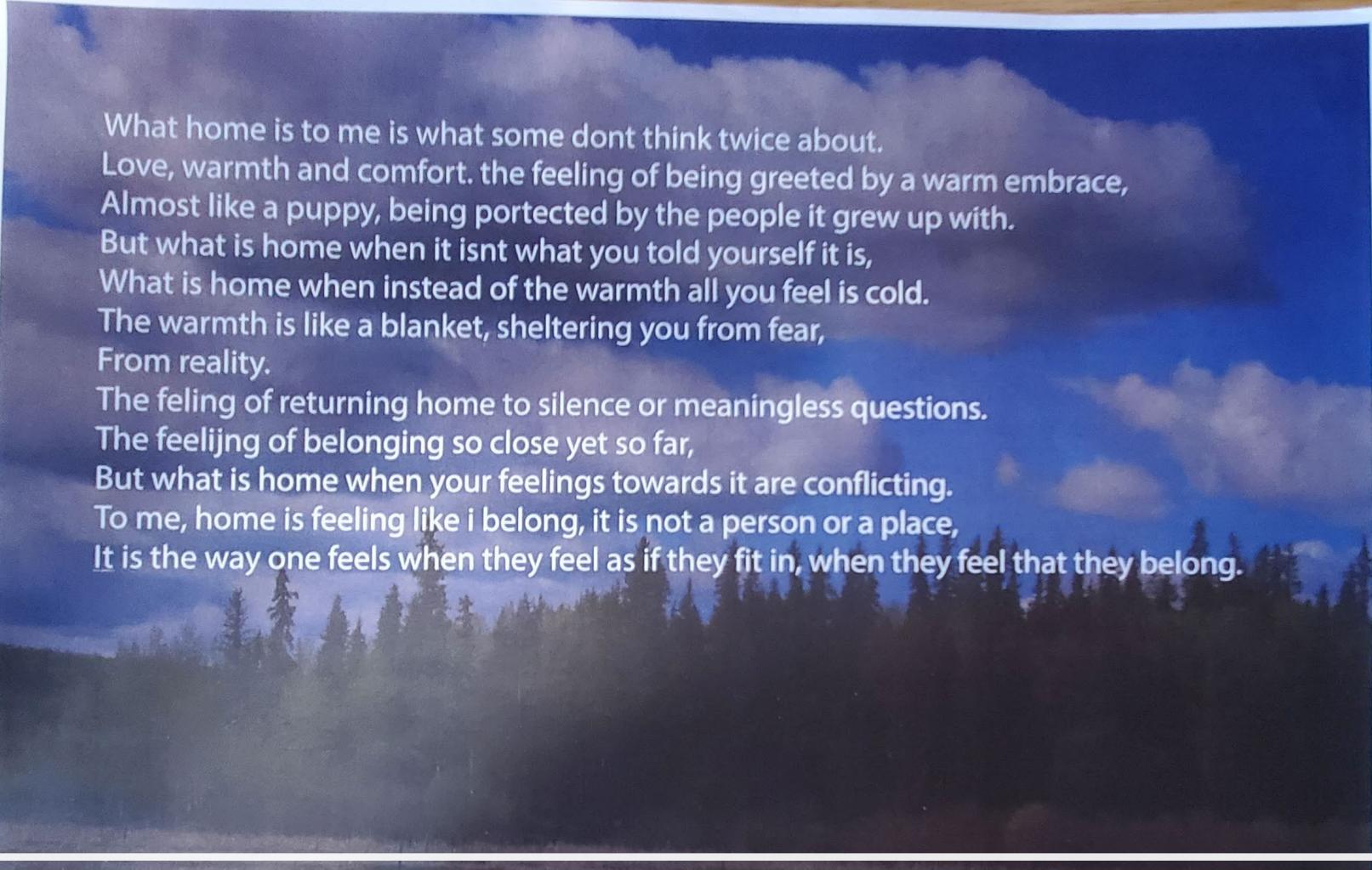


Demonstration of Knowledge Earned



I Told You So ...





What home is to me is what some dont think twice about.
Love, warmth and comfort. the feeling of being greeted by a warm embrace,
Almost like a puppy, being portected by the people it grew up with.
But what is home when it isnt what you told yourself it is,
What is home when instead of the warmth all you feel is cold.
The warmth is like a blanket, sheltering you from fear,
From reality.
The feling of returning home to silence or meaningless questions.
The feeliing of belonging so close yet so far,
But what is home when your feelings towards it are conflicting.
To me, home is feeling like i belong, it is not a person or a place,
It is the way one feels when they feel as if they fit in, when they feel that they belong.

The Many Forms of Learning

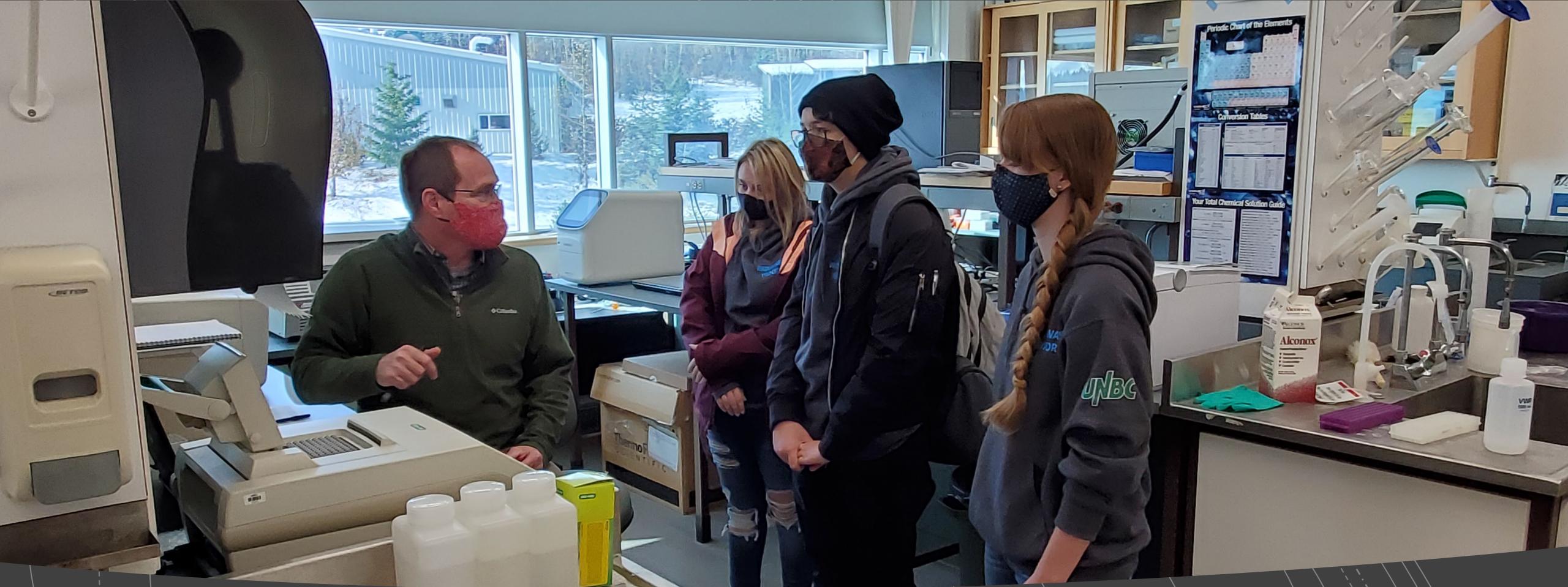


Learning Through Exploration

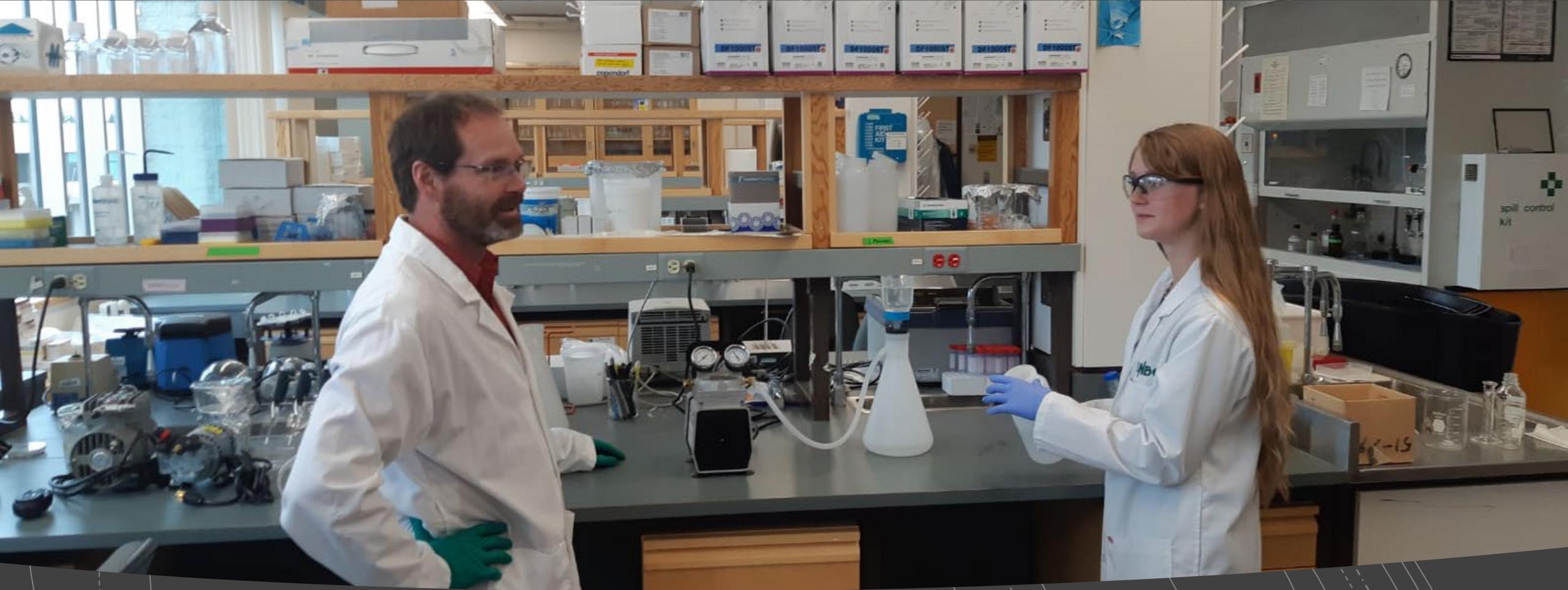
The Quest for Engagement Begins with
Wonder



Student Mentors
Explore New Things

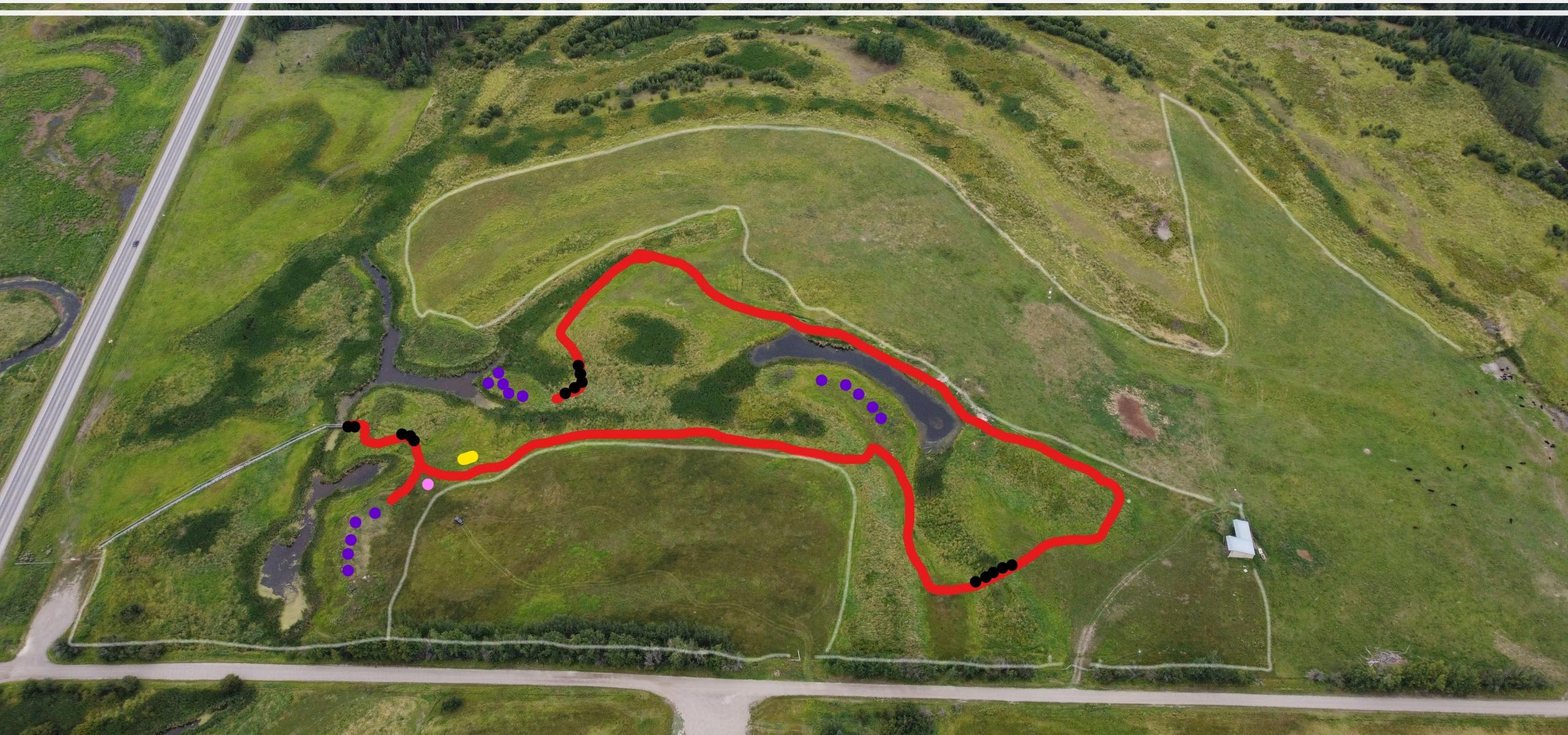


Changing
Minds ...



Creating New Partnerships

Community Engagement for Youth by Youth







A New Challenge

- What community engagement can look like.



Foundation for District
Engagement





Can we join?



Can we stay?



A place to Learn?



Designing Learning
Opportunities Together.



Change in Perspective on What Learning is?

Seasonal monitoring and learning in the local watershed.



The Sky is not the Limit ...

- Students engage, learn new skills and apply them in their community





- Students taking a lead in their own Learning



- Students Building a Future for Themselves and Their Community ...