



STANDARD 8

Educators contribute to the profession

Evidence: Adventure in the classroom prezi

Reflection: Adventure based learning is the foundation for my learning as an educator. When I think about being a teacher, I think of incorporating the spirit of ABL into the classroom as being one of the most important elements of my teaching. The only problem with that, I learned, is that when you take student's outside, because they are not used to the parameters of ABL, it becomes recess time, and their brains shut off! What a surprise to me, as a pre-service teacher with 15 years of experience leading outdoor programs. Where was the magic? Where were the paradigm shifts and rich reflection? I was astounded, and humbled by this new reality, and challenge. For me to do what I do, I will need to build a community around it in the classroom.

I studied this for my inquiry project: How Adventure Theory supports a Community of Learners, and found some interesting strategies. I created a Prezi on the subject and shared my learning and strategies with my colleagues, encouraging them to seek other training, read books, and try it out. I have seen the power it has. I endeavor to implement it every day in the classroom so it becomes a norm for students, and myself.