

Developing Sustainable Outdoor Spaces

What ideas do you have for the sustainability of schoolyard outdoor spaces (Keeping in mind: multidisciplinary, for all learners, community, and multiple-grade-level use)?

We ordered flower boxes to plant indigenous wild flowers for pollinators.

How to keep the space maintain and who is responsible for that maintenance?

growing more green spaces and having students involved in that gardening

advocating for outdoor spaces and getting to those events (extra credit) like the star gazing "Friends of Witfield"

Maintenance and janitorial staff need to be included in development of spaces.

advocacy and social mobilization family members and leaders of the community: parents

lesson plans and advocate for outdoor spaces

Lessons with nature (field trips); support services to enjoy outdoor spaces;

Making the space simple, and durable (ie: it needs to last over time).

Need to involve people with expertise in installation and maintenance of green spaces

All of this is part of the guidance being put to

Great ideas!



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What lesson plans or activities do you do in your outdoor spaces that work well for you? Share any links and/or resources, too!

share lessons with each other Bosque Education Guide

<https://www.nmnaturalhistory.org/educational-resources/sections/bosque-education-guide>

Mr. Reyes shared this resource:

<https://www.sciencebuddies.org/stem-activities>

scavenger
hunts and
utilizing
the nature
around
them

just being in nature

Encourage outdoor things to do

Nature Journals

Observing changes through the seasons



Grants, partners, etc. to help with
designing future sustainable outdoor
spaces

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