Learning from Other Programs

Not all outdoor spaces are perfect, but they’re best when they’re made an extension of the learning environment. Watch the videos from a program that has made its outdoor space an inviting learning environment. Answer these questions about what you see.

1. What are the strengths of the outdoor space? Think about safety, design, space and accessibility.

2. What concerns do you have about the outdoor space? What challenges do you think the program faced when creating the outdoor learning space? Again, think about safety, design, space and accessibility.

3. What features of this environment would work in your program? That is, what lessons can you learn from this program?

4. What challenges does your program face related to outdoor spaces? What solutions can you think of for the challenges?

5. How might you work with families or network with local business, agencies or resources to help create some of these experiences in your program?