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? What from this program would you like to help recreate for your school-age outdoor environment? Are there other elements from the lesson you would like to incorporate in your outdoor setting?

4. What support would you need to help accomplish these goals? What materials or equipment would help support your ideas?