



## Bassett Elementary School Mission Statement

Bassett Elementary School is a child-centered community empowered to develop responsible, compassionate, globally-minded citizens who are lifelong inquirers dedicated to achieving academic excellence.



### Exhibition: Capstone Project in the IB PYP

The PYP Exhibition is a chance for 4th graders at Bassett to celebrate their learning by applying their skills and knowledge in the process of research into a **topic of their choice**. It is understood that, while Bassett's Exhibition occurs at the end of 4th grade, **it is a culmination of all of the learning and growth students have experienced throughout elementary school.**

The majority of the work for the Exhibition occurred at school over 6 weeks-5 months, depending on when students chose their areas of research. Students worked, **independently and in collaborative groups**, to complete the **research, draw conclusions, take meaningful action** related to their research and **create a product** which they presented to the school community on June 1, 2017.



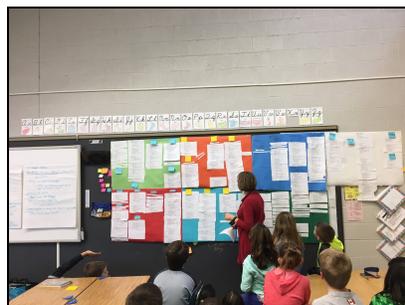
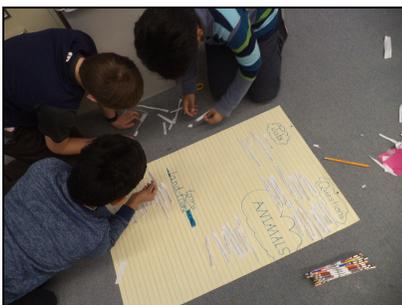
Exhibition is:	Exhibition is NOT:
Student directed	Adult directed
Collaborative	Individual
Process driven	Product driven
Challenging	A science fair, poster contest or competition
Rewarding	An "extra" assignment
Action provoking	Finite in scope




Throughout the weeks of work, **students and teachers focused on the process of exhibition**. They reflected; asked questions that took them in new, sometimes unexpected, directions; revised plans; worked with a wide variety of peers, mentors, and experts; and took risks by trying new things. Following the **Celebration of Exhibition**, at which students impressed visitors with their poise and expertise, they will reflect on their experiences and growth, through the lens of the IB learner profile.

### Images from Bassett Exhibition:

**Generating ideas:** Students chose areas of interest to research & wrote a central idea & lines of inquiry to focus their research.





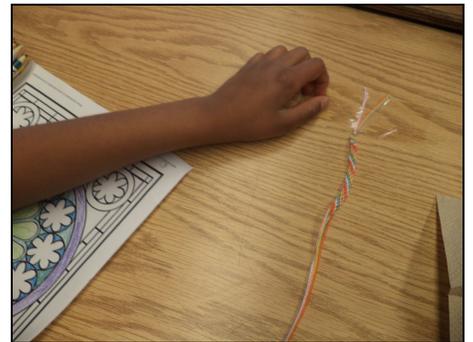
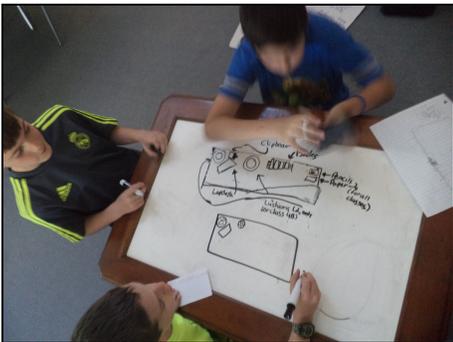
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**Research:** Students researched using books, periodicals, Internet sources, interviews and presentations.



**Action:** Students chose an action to take based on their learning.



**Exhibition Celebration:** Students presented their learning and celebrated their accomplishments!



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**We Educate for Excellence...Empowering all students to achieve their educational goals, to direct their lives and to contribute to society.**