Beyond the Scope and Sequence

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“Whadayamean every subject, every grade?”

- Environmental education is not ‘more expectations’, but an overarching theme that can provide
  
  - Context
  
  - Examples
  
  - Purpose
A new lens requires

- Flexibility and keeping an open mind
- Creativity in applying curriculum expectations
e.g. Catholic or Afrocentric schools still teach the curriculum.
Paradigm shift

Support is needed during change

- Support is available in terms of:
  - Resources
  - Expertise
  - Professional Development
Ministry initiative = Ministry documents

- Standards for Environmental Education in the Curriculum
- Environmental Education Scope and Sequence of Expectations
- Ready, Set, Green!
EE Standards provide Broad Applicability

- Community
- Knowledge
- Perspectives
- Action

Consider these when planning units of study/lessons
COMMUNITY

- Sense of connection
- Responsible citizenship
- Sense of place
- Sense of local and global citizenship
KNOWLEDGE

- Human and natural systems
- Interactions within and between systems
- Sustainability
PERSPECTIVES

- Critical thinking and evaluation
- Consideration of diverse perspectives
- Formation of an opinion
- Sustainability
ACTION

- Skills and practices
- Protection
- Innovation
- Conservation
- Remediation
Leadership support is essential...
... to avoid this:
Other sources: Where to start?

- Starting at the top
- International organizations
- Local NGO’s
- Federal Ministries
- Provincial ministries
- Community resources
Starting at the top

- Writings and holy texts
- Clergy or other experts in faith communities
- Faith and the Common Good
All wrong-doing arises because of mind. If mind is transformed can wrong-doing remain?

- Buddha
“Every leaf of the tree becomes a page of the sacred scripture once the soul has learned to read.”

- Sa’di Shirazi Sufi master
Faith and the Common Good
International organizations

Issues and case studies from around the world

- World Wildlife Fund (Earth Hour, funding research, health, global markets, women’s issues)
- Convention for Biological Diversity (Int’l Day for Biological Diversity, specific case studies and initiatives)
NGO’s

- Green Communities Canada
- Ontario Society for Environmental Education
- Resources for Rethinking / Learning for a Sustainable Future
- SEEDS Foundation
Federal Ministries

- Agriculture & Agri-food Canada
- Canadian Human Rights Commission
- Fisheries and Oceans
- Ministry of the Environment
Provincial ministries

- Natural Resources
- Environment
- Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs
- Health Promotion
Community resources

- Local service clubs
- Special interest clubs
- 4-H
Research for Resource Sharing

- Long onto your computer
- Open the “Beyond the Scope and Sequence” Word file and the Excel file
- Choose a grade, subject and unit of study
- Follow links to locate appropriate resources for the grade and subject you have chosen
- Email your list to the address at the top of the file, results will be collated and returned to contributors