Synopsis

In order to be a well-rounded person, we need to interact with the past to learn from it and use it in our own life. Being well-rounded and informed about their community and environment is important for young elementary children. Learning about the native Indigenous people of Delaware's different communities and the knowledge that the Indigenous people have of that environment will help students understand and manage the land they will be working on. Learning about the Lenape and Nanticoke Tribes of Delaware and New Jersey and the Traditional Ecological Knowledge that they use will help with understanding and enhancing our school coop and garden area. Creating and enhancing a butterfly garden and adding a flock of chickens and ducks gives students a chance to experience the joy of caring for plants and animals, which then, they will hopefully carry the experience with them through life and spark an interest to go further with it in their educational years. Students will research the best flowers and vegetable plants to support the pollinators and animals in their care and plan out an enhancement of the current garden in place at the school.