



COMMON CORE AT FOOTHILL HORIZONS OUTDOOR SCHOOL

Both teachers and students benefit from Foothill's Common Core State Standard aligned teaching practices. At Foothill Horizons Outdoor School, students are engaged, in relevant and interactive learning. Visiting teachers notice that Common Core anchor standards facilitate student learning about science. The program and site are ideal settings for anchor standards 3, 4 and 5.

Common Core is alive and well at Foothill Horizons. I was very impressed by the ways you have embraced Common Core. It was like seeing a model lesson everyday
--Jim Nard, teacher



COLLABORATION

Example: Students work together as a whole group to move a ball through the pipes in their hands, to simulate water moving from the mountains to the valley.



CRITICAL THINKING

Example: Based upon observations, explain how rocks are changed over time.

COMMUNICATION

Examples: Pair-share, disagreeing with evidence, small and whole group, reflections.

CREATIVITY

Example: Draw the hawk in a natural habitat. Describe its structures, and the function of each structure.

Critical thinking and wondering prepares them for Common Core.
--Andrew Bylow, teacher



~ Inspiring connections to nature and one another ~