



Use Filmmaking to Enhance Experiential Water Action Projects!

Water Docs @ School (WD@S) is a free, curriculum-connected community action program that actively engages **Ontario Grade 8 students** in addressing water issues through authentic inquiry, project-based learning, and video production. This program builds students' understanding of water and instills in them a commitment to water stewardship.

Program elements to engage your students:

- 1) **Lesson Plans:**
 - Multi-disciplinary activities to help identify a water inquiry topic
 - Live Q&A Webinar with TVO's The Water Brothers
- 2) **Action Project:**
 - Engaging with community and fostering networks
- 3) **Filmmaking:**
 - Telling their story
- 4) **Celebration:**
 - Attending WD@S Action Projects Student Recognition Day

Flexibility implemented between:

October 2017 – April 2018

Learn more & access resources:



Attend our FREE 60-minute Introductory Webinar:

<http://bit.ly/WDWebinars2017>

Program Goals:

- To deepen students' knowledge & skills beyond the classroom using learning strategies like community-connected, experiential, project-based, and inquiry-based learning
- To explore filmmaking as a tool for meeting curriculum outcomes in an innovative way
- To use a hands-on approach & address 21st century/global competencies (collaboration, creativity, citizenship, digital literacy, etc.)
- To foster water stewardship and explore sustainability themes (climate change, Indigenous knowledge, human & environmental health, etc.)
- To empower learners to take action, positively impacting their communities, becoming "Waterkeepers for Life"
- To align with the new **Community-Connected Experiential Learning** Policy Document to be released in Fall 2017 by the Ministry of Education

Register for the program by Sept 30, 2017! Visit: <http://bit.ly/WDRegistration2017>



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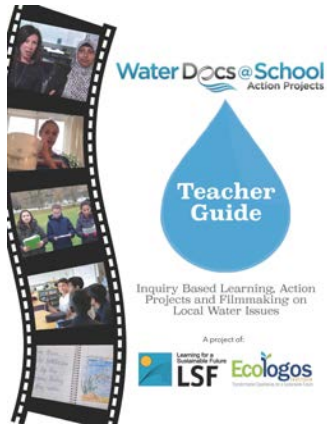
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Participating teachers and classes will receive:

- Free interdisciplinary curriculum-tied lesson plans and supporting resources
- An opportunity to speak with the TVO's "The Water Brothers"
- Class admission to WD@S Student Recognition Day
- Two adult passes to the Water Docs 2018 Film Festival in Toronto (Valued at \$50)
- Copy of films from all participating classes
- Recognition Certificates for participating students and schools
- Filmmaking and storytelling guidance
- Awards will be presented for Best Project(s) and Best Film(s)
- ... and more!



Teacher Testimonials

"The students loved the freedom of being able to pick a topic they were passionate about, to research the topic and collect data and then to have their creative freedom. There was a huge facet of opportunities for students with different learning needs." (See the full interview @ <http://bit.ly/WDIntro>)

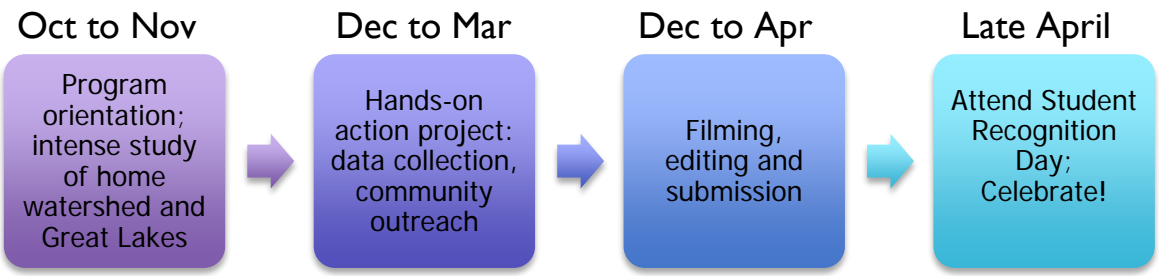
- Lindsay Butson, TDSB

"Our experience was wonderful! The students learned a great deal about water, about themselves, and most importantly about making a difference in our community! They were engaged and invested. All of the things we hear about how we are supposed to be teaching is here!!! It's this program. And the results are amazing!! I learned so much about my students....and also about myself as a teacher. I'm so happy we did this!"

- Tracy Gray, UGDSB



Suggested Program schedule:



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