### **Black Creek Pioneer Village**

#### Toronto Catholic District School Board

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## Toronto and Region Conservation Authority

- Providing experiential out-ofclassroom learning experiences in partnership with school boards since 1953
- Engaging 155,000 students annually at four conservation areas, in over 800 schools, and at five education centres.

### Black Creek Pioneer Village

- Leading the way with innovative approaches to out-of-classroom learning for over 60 years
- 40,000 participants in education programs annually
- Strong curriculum connections with grades 1-3 and 6-8
- Experiential, discovery-based learning
- Programs provide buildings blocks for active citizenship and strong relationships within diverse communities



### Looking to the Future

- Preparing students for the future by exploring the past
- Combining curriculum content with a unique approach to experiential learning.



### **Connecting to the Curriculum**

Teaching Method & Subject	Grade 1 Curriculum Links	Grade 2 Curriculum Link	Grade 3 Curriculum Links	Grade 6 Curriculum Links	Grade 7 Curriculum Links	Grade 8 Curriculum Links
Social Studies	Our Changing Roles & Responsibilities	Changing Family & Community Traditions	Communities in Canada, 1780-1850	Communities in Canada Past & Present		
Historical Thinking					1800–1850: Conflict and Challenges	Creating Canada, 1850-1890
Primary Resources	Our Changing Roles & Responsibilities	Changing Family & Community Traditions	Communities in Canada, 1780-1850	Communities in Canada Past & Present	1800–1850: Conflict and Challenges	Creating Canada, 1850-1890
Music, Drama, Dance	The Arts: Music, Drama, Dance	The Arts: Drama	The Arts: Music, Drama, Dance			
Storytelling		Changing Family & Community Traditions	Communities in Canada, 1780-1850	Communities in Canada Past & Present		
Scientific Inquiry	Daily & Seasonal Changes	Growth & Change in Animals	Growth & Change in Plants		Interactions in the Environment	
Physical Activity	Active Living, Movement Competence	Active Living, Movement Competence	Active Living, Movement Competence	Active Living, Movement Competence	Active Living, Movement Competence	Active Living, Movement Competence
Debating					1800–1850: Conflict and Challenges	Creating Canada, 1850-1890



## Strengthening our Partnership

- Planning for recovery and renewal with resource teachers
- Providing equitable access for all students
- Exploring opportunities for non-traditional grades
- Creating professional development for teachers

### **STEAM**

- Exploring the past to understand the present and prepare for the future
- Solving real world problems
- Using 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Skills: Collaboration, Creativity, Critical Thinking and Communication



### Changing to Reflect a Diverse World

- Indigenous History
   Project at Black Creek
   Pioneer Village
- History is perspective
- Focusing on real people and their stories



# Preparing Students for the Future

- Finding Connections & Feeling Empathy
- Seeing the issue from multiple perspectives
- Empowering to overcome challenges



#### **Making History**

- Preparing students with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in the future
- Creating experiences that cannot happen in the classroom
- Making memories that last forever



### **Opportunities**

- Exploring equitable access for every TCDSB student
- Providing teacher professional development
- Hosting ward days
- Offering teacher recognition
- Engaging senior students
- Your needs?



