# NATURAL LEARNING GOALS 2020 (cont. & add on's as of 1/9/20)

## ELLA

- Amazon rainforest animals  $\sqrt{}$ 
  - $\circ$  "100 species undiscovered in Amazon Rainforest"
  - $\circ$  Wild Kratz
  - $\circ$  Biome: National Geographic Kids 3D puzzle + book  $\sqrt{$
- Africa and China
  - Cultures (art, language, geography, dance, clothing, animals, beliefs)
    - Biome (create topography with miniatures to show what it really looks like)
      - Gather materials for: National Geo African Wildlife 3D Puzzle  $\sqrt{}$
      - Africa √
      - China
    - Research, prepare and demonstrate a dance
- Birds
  - How birds fly  $\sqrt{}$
  - $\circ~$  Aviary for observation and hands on research  $\sqrt{}$ 
    - Flight simulator
- Aeronautics
  - $\circ$  How things fly
- Hang gliding
  - Hang gliding course in Outer Banks
- Planets and the stars
  - Visit darkest place in U.S. (Nevada desert) to observe Milky Way
  - Observatory options
  - $_{\odot}\,$  Planetarium at CSC: Beginners Guide to the Universe, Stars Over Pittsburgh  $\sqrt{}\,$
  - $\circ$  Children's Theater Magic Schoolbus The Solar System  $\sqrt{$
- Math
  - $\circ$  Ipad app, online class/coursework  $\sqrt{$
  - $\circ$  Life of Fred math series, Bedtime math, books on mathematicians  $\sqrt{}$
  - $\circ$  Bedtime Math  $\sqrt{}$
- Technology
  - Programming basics
    - How coding makes things happen
    - Marble game that applies coding concept  $\sqrt{$
    - Rasperry Pie computer  $\sqrt{}$

- Go further in explanation of binary and language of coding; apply to coding
- Butterflies
  - Life cycle: from caterpillars to butterflies
  - Get caterpillars to observe and do hands on research as they evolve into chrysalis then butterfly
- Explore DogCraft  $\sqrt{}$ 
  - o By Stacy Plays, author of January Book Club Selection
- Learn How to Do Archery
  - Research experience options, classes
- Continue Cooking Classes
  - $\circ$   $\,$  With focus on foods from around the world and/or different places in the U.S.  $\,$
  - Research Rec Center classes, CCAC classes, kids cooking classes
    - Summer = camp; Fall = 4 week classes
- Try the Violin
  - Check in with Bryce to see if Kathy's music offers trials or intro's to different instruments
- Start a Band
  - $\circ~$  Check in with Bryce to see if Kathy's Music students might be interested
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Check in with FB groups
  - Explore family band option or friend band option (i.e., Gemma, Ariya)
  - Guitar store: rock camp

### NATE

- Computers & technology
  - $\circ~$  How to use code/program on the built computer
    - Move monitor to  $3^{\rm rd}$  floor learning area  $\sqrt{}$
  - Can Adam connect his Ipad to the big monitor so group can play Minecraft together easier?
- Stars and space
  - $\circ$   $\,$  How space and time work  $\,$ 
    - Focus on Jurassic Period  $\sqrt{}$ 
      - Natural History Museum  $\sqrt{}$
    - Earth & Galaxy's history: started  $\sqrt{}$
  - Planetarium √
  - Observatory options
  - Desert travel
  - Future travel: NASA?
- Go Kart
  - $\circ$  Research how it works
  - Research types of go karts
    - Off-roading versions
  - Participate in local go kart course
  - Research options for ownership of go kart
- Quad
  - $\circ$  Online research of types/comparison of quads  $\checkmark$
  - $\circ$  How to drive one
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Research options for renting a quad for an off road course experience
  - $\circ~$  Off road experience (minimum in dirt or backyard) for fun not competition
    - Mines and Meadow ATV/RV Resort—Trails, ATV Riding & Dirt Bike Riding experience
  - $\circ$  Research dirt bike safety attire (cost, options)
- Explore what it is like to participate in a sleepover  $\sqrt{}$ 
  - Participate in zoo overnight sleepover experience with family
- Gardening
  - Research vegetables and best growth environments
  - Research set up
  - Create set up, buy plants/seeds, grow/manage garden
- Math √
  - $\circ$   $% \left( {{\rm{Look}}} \right)$  for tactile tools to represent math concepts
    - Life of Fred book series  $\sqrt{}$
  - $\circ$  Ipad app, online class/coursework  $\sqrt{}$

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## FIONA

- Learn how to make shredded cheese
  - o Online resources
  - Farm program where cheese is made?
- How to make cupcakes  $\sqrt{}$ 
  - From mix vs. from scratch
  - With bakers tools (icing bags and special tops to make swirls)
  - Decorative items to "make them look delicious"
  - $\circ$  \* \* Have taste testing for Ella and Nate with final products
- Wondering how technology works
  - Frozen themed Ipad Programming Piece for Christmas 2019
- Learning about how the human body works
  - Specifically the heart  $\sqrt{}$
  - Online resources
  - Research library course re: the humane body
  - Human Body book
  - $\circ$  CSC BodyWorks exhibit  $\sqrt{}$
- Reasons things smell so bad
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Hands on experiments to see what smells bad and why
    - Essential oils kit to create and compare smells  $\sqrt{}$
    - Smell section of Carnegie Science Center's Bodyworks exhibit  $\sqrt{}$
  - $\circ$  Mad Science?
- Plants
  - Reasons for herbivores being herbivores
  - o Zoo
  - o Botanical Gardens
  - $\circ$  Phipps Conservatory  $\sqrt{}$
  - $\circ$  Natural History Museum  $\sqrt{}$
- How brainstorming works
  - $\circ$  Group demonstrations (ongoing over year)  $\sqrt{}$
- How seashells and sea glass forms
  - Online resources (videos, books, etc.)
  - $\circ$  Hands on experiments with shells
  - Outer Banks tie in?
- Reasons it's so important to stay healthy
  - Group discussions throughout year
    - $\circ$  Carnegie Science Center  $\sqrt{}$
    - Online resources
    - Flight Trampoline Park (signs & discussion with employee about eating/exercise/energy)  $\sqrt{}$
- Learn how to make string cheese

- Online video/resource
- Learn how to make Pirate Booty
  - Online video/resource
- Increase drawing abilities
  - YouTube how to videos to learn
  - $\circ$  Night & Light Furies as drawing subject  $\sqrt{}$
  - $\circ$  Ella led art class  $\sqrt{}$
- Focus on Kahn Academy Kids  $\sqrt{}$ 
  - Noticing & voicing feelings
  - o Reading
  - Explore as much as possible, "I really like learning"
- Learn as much about Minecraft as possible  $\sqrt{}$

## GROUP GOALS (as of 2/6/20)

- Website
  - Categories: reading logs per student, field trip Fridays, objectives, images, calendar?, links to community projects
- Year Book
  - Photography
  - o Editing
  - o Design
  - Printing of final product
  - $\circ$  \*\*Ella wants to assist with all aspects of creation of
  - \*\*Nate
  - \*\*Fi would like to help with photography
- Ongoing Community Giving Back Project
  - $\circ$  Option 1: Nose 2 Tail Cat Rescue  $\sqrt{$ 
    - Update rescue with current pictures/descriptors of our cats
      - Ella contributed updated photography of cats  $\sqrt{}$
    - Birthday \$ donations from Ella  $\sqrt{}$
    - Holiday \$ donation from Nate
    - Contact ED via text and ask how we could be of most assistance  $\sqrt{}$
    - Suggested assistance: rescue senior, monetary &/or supply donations, promote rescue
  - Option 2: The Grand Residence
    - Contact Grand Residence and ask what would be most helpful
  - $\circ$  Option 3: Research needs in our community  $\sqrt{}$ 
    - Individuals who are homeless
      - Care packages (i.e., nonperishable snacks, sample size advil, bandaids, bottle of water, \$, notes of affirmation/caring
        - Hand out when observed need
    - Individuals who express need through online community
      - Giant Eagle gift card (\$150) sent to a mom in PGH
- Martial Arts/ARMOR or bully prevention class
  - Bridgeville ProMartial Arts:
    - Saturdays 10-10:40 Lil Rhinos/ARMOR 3-5
    - Saturdays 10:50-11:30 a.m. Basic Beginner 6+, 11:40-12 p.m. ARMOR
    - \*\*Ella is interested
    - \*\*Nate
    - \*\*Fi is interested in trying 1 class (nervous to not be in same class as bigger kids).
    - Contacted owner re: private class options to start, no response  $\sqrt{}$
  - Premier Martial Arts
    - Private introductory class into martial arts

- Book Club √
  - Meet \_\_\_\_\_ to read book as a group to read and discuss chosen book
- Classroom Pet
  - o Russian Tortoise
- Monthly financial gifts to organizations \*\*Consider for future
  - Research options
  - Decide on amounts, set up gifts, send gifts
- Self Care √
  - Ongoing attempts to implement on daily basis
    - Lists created by everyone for self
    - Lists of Calming Strategies on poster of Peace Table
    - Happy Corners/Boxes in bedrooms
    - Peace Table
    - Sand trays
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- Family Travel
  - o Outer Banks: June 21-25
  - Nevada desert
  - $\circ$  Join Adam on work trip(s)
    - New York City: May
  - Travel goal locations:
    - Future:
      - Hawaii (Fi)
      - Australia
    - Spring 2020
      - Austin, Texas
      - Washington D.C.
    - Summer 2020
      - Washington, D.C.
      - State Park
      - Montana Dude Ranch experience
      - Oregon Beach
      - Other West Coast Beach destination
      - Lake Tahoe
      - Main or similar beach destination
    - Summer 2020 Day or Overnight Trips
      - Wolf rescue area
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    - Fall 2020
      - Florida return
        - o Vero Beach
        - $\circ$  Med resort
        - o Key West
    - Winter 2020