

Pecha Kucha SPARKS Video

The Pecha Kucha SPARKS video was an assignment done in our Technology class. The purpose of the presentation was to either show our SPARK or to explain what a SPARK is.

From the Search institute:

What Are Sparks?

"Sparks" is a metaphor that describes a key feature of young people's motivation and thriving. Sparks refers to the intrinsic interests, talents, and passions that young people have that motivate them to learn, grow, and contribute.

This project was a precurser to a collaborative project with the Nanaimo Christian School where we were to teach the concept to Grade 4 students and have them create their own SPARKS Pecha Kucha.

I chose this evidence because it is all about helping students realize their SPARK and show it to others. This process is also good for getting to know your students' interests so as to better understand them and use their talents to help relate content to their learning. Students should also celebrate their interests and talents.

Standard 1 is important to me as a new teacher because if we don't value the students' interests and support them, we are only telling them what to do. In more cases than not, their individual interests can be incorporated into their learning. Caring for our students also establishes an atmosphere of respect in which a strong classroom community can be built.