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Outdoor Lab is a Jefferson County Schools program that was attended for many years by the 6th grade students of Dennison Elementary. When D'Evelyn added a 6th grade program in the Fall of 2020, D'Evelyn also added Outdoor Lab as a component of the 6th grade curriculum, both to continue this opportunity offered by Jefferson County and enjoyed by Dennison and because of the value of the program for 6th grade students.

“The D'Evelyn Program has been developed to continue the alternative educational environment exemplified by the Dennison Fundamental Alternative School program... the purpose of education is to convey an essential body of cultural knowledge to the next generation, and a solid liberal arts education is required in order for all citizens to be effective participants in their communities.” (FD 1)

“In addition to standard textbook course work, studies in the science program will involve laboratory work, data analysis, proof of basic laws and principles (analytically and/or experimentally), problem solving, and scientific reasoning skills... its relationship to, and dependence on other academic disciplines will be fostered.” (FD 9)

“The proficiencies of an effective communicator, a complex thinker, a self-directed learner, and a quality worker will be satisfied through the students' active involvement with the curriculum.” (FD 19)

D'Evelyn 6th Grade students have the opportunity to participate in Jeffco Outdoor Lab during their 6th grade year, in accordance with the parameters of Jefferson County Public Schools for all 6th graders throughout the school district.

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