Dear Educators,

Wow, the school year is almost over! We hope it was a great one. We know you are busy, but we would love to hear from you about your experiences teaching Project-Based Inquiry Science (PBIS) this year. Do you have any stories to share with us and the larger PBIS community? Also, teachers are always interested to see what PBIS student work looks like. Please send your stories and examples of student work to info@pbiscyberpd.org.

We are pleased to announce that we have been able to upload additional 3-dimensional (3-D) learning enhancements (as outlined in the NRC Framework and NGSS) to the PBIS CyberPD site. Throughout several of the units, you will now find 3-D Teaching Tips, 3-D Teaching Strategies, and 3-D Meta Notes.

So far these new elements have been added to Diving In, Digging In, Animals in Action, Air Quality, Astronomy, Living Together, and Weather Watch. The remaining units will be completed soon. You can find these enhancements at the Learning Set and Section level, as well as on each page.

In addition, four new videos describing what the NRC Framework and NGSS 3-D learning approach is all about have been added to the PBIS CyberPD site. These videos feature Joe Krajcik, a lead writer on the NRC Framework and NGSS as well as Co-Principal Investigator for PBIS. They focus on what is meant by 3-D learning—the crosscutting concepts, the disciplinary core ideas, and the science and engineering practices.

You can find these videos on the Welcome Page under “PD Videos,” or in the “Professional-Development Videos” section of each unit.

We hope you find these resources helpful and encourage you to reach out to us with any questions or suggestions. Remember to send your stories or student work from the past school year that you would like to share with us and the PBIS community to info@pbiscyberpd.org. We would love to hear from you!

Best,

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