John F. Ross Collegiate Vocational Institute

10C Rooftop Engagement Summary Report

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John F. Ross Vocational Institute – 10 Carden Rooftop Engagement Session
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Total # of students engaged: 38
Teacher name: Shannon Duncan

Presentation of 10C rooftop slides to two high school classes at John F Ross Collegiate Vocational Institute in Guelph. We talked about our ideas for the rooftop space, food security, community food, benefits of green roofs & urban agriculture, and showed examples of case studies from NYC, Toronto, Chicago and Vancouver. Students participated in a fill-in-the-blank activity to help us with wording of our vision, programming and rooftop design. The students presented their ideas and a few illustrated their ideas of what they would like to see on the rooftop. After the session we visited the JF Ross community garden that is tended by students, staff and teachers at the high school.

The 10C rooftop space will be a

green zone and a clean space for the environment
public / community space for a good view, food production and hangout space
gathering space
public space for socializing
fresh & healthy food
quite space for reading and enjoying views
relaxing
community to come together
comfortable safe space for people to come together and plant
safe space for people of all walks of life
peaceful place for visitors
an open space for growing agricultural crops
food & activity space for eating and entertainment
environmental awareness space for growing, harvesting and collecting food
peaceful space for everyone
gardening, solar panels, and bar
all-natural space for growing healthy food
environmentally friendly space for Guelph' community
publically accessible space for growing food & preparing food to go home with
warm & welcoming space for the community
diverse, large, comfortable space for everyone in Guelph
peaceful space for the community to enjoy
Earth friendly space for the community

The vision of the rooftop is

lights with a pool and dance floor and concession stands
twinkling lights above sitting area gardens, little coffee place, colourful, green space with solar
cute café or food place
a green roof for the public
spectacular colours of green & blue
a quite place to connect and relax
connect to nature within the city
very colourful, edible flowers, fruit production and a koi pond
generate food for Guelph
being good for the environment and a fun place to be
bring healthier food options to Guelph
making it alive – planting, home to insects and parties
fresh, modern, waste production, local, humane and healthy
to be open to the public
reliable source of food production
colourful, peaceful, full & modern
a public space that benefits everyone
grow food & provide habitat for critters
colourful, peaceful and fresh

Schools & students will participate in the rooftop project by

planting & growing food
helping build life
starting / planting gardens

planting seeds, feeding chickens and cooking
volunteering to help with garden and respecting the roof top environment
growing their own plants for food & nutrition
volunteering as part of their school volunteer requirement
learning and participating in the gardening
harvesting
helping to make Guelph more relaxing & green
help with design suggestions
access to food & having free access
field trips
spreading information about the project in the community
farming & maintaining gardens
learning what certain plants will be used for

The gardens on the rooftop will provide _____ to _____.

food to the public
food and education to those in need
vegetables to eat or make in the community kitchen
fresh vegetables for people downtown
food and openness to everyone
veggies for people to buy at the downtown farmer's market
a calming hobby to the people gardening
food to people that can not afford it
vegetables & stuff to cook their food
habitat to bees & birds
food (fruits & veggies) to people who need it
feed everyone and let bees and insects get a home
clean air to people
food we can all enjoy to the community
food and clean air to the community
fruits & vegetables to feed the community

Rooftop activities might include

Social events, hangout spot, yoga, café
Weddings
Romantic dates
Reading
Live music
Classes
Pilates
Food based seminars / guest speakers
Cooking / food prep
Eating contests and carnival games
Making hot sauces
Tours
Classes about green industries
Birthday parties
Field trips for students / food & nutrition classes
BBQ
Singing
Making pizzas
Movie screening

Within the next 5 years there will be _____ happening on the rooftop.

Wedding on the rooftop
Growing
Events
A full garden area
Food and activities
Construction
A lot of gardens
Gardening
Chickens & trees
School trips
A popular community space
Chickens & yoga

Youth will access the site to

Socialize
See & help with the gardens
Learn
Study
Help out in their community
Play with chickens
Learn about agriculture
Get volunteer hours & experience
Gain experience with planting
Help with ideas
Learn about pickles & how to preserve foods
Experience the importance of local urban foods
Plant & harvest

Create your own statement(s) about 10 Carden, the community kitchen and / or rooftop space!

Fun is where the food is from; urban farming with the feeling of a rural setting

The rooftop space will provide for the community & the environment

10 Carden is a social innovation centre that will have a roof top garden that will supply food to the community

The rooftop will be your highest point of your night

Other ideas:

Tree & tree house on roof	*Seating areas*
Bar & smoothie café	*Campfire for marshmallows*
Swing	*Fire pit*
Ice bar	*Fitness class*
Smoothies bar (green / fruit)	*Self sprinklers for watering plants*
Party bar	*Water feature – a fountain that uses rainwater for filtration*