Comments and feedback for PD, tours and observations at Para Los Niños

4/4/13 Visit

“In all of the presentations, written material, etc, that we have received so far on the Common Core, and Project Based Learning, what your group had to offer was, by far, the best presented, and most helpful information of any of them.”

“As always, when one sees something so meaningful, I probably have as many questions now as I did at the start of the day yesterday.”

“Thank you again.  Please keep doing what you're doing”

-Jim

4/8/13 visit

“Students are really inspired by everything they do -- no one seemed bored, disengaged, or straying from the purpose.”

“Teachers also seemed really tuned into students' abilities, but really pushed them and challenged them to reach beyond their comfort zones.”

“Very respectful of the students' processes of discovery.”

“[Art] that represented various explorations that had obviously inspired the students (the Chinatown one was really memorable).”

“The whole school environment, led by student art, was really positive and cheerful and amazing. Still, the classrooms themselves were not overly stimulating or chaotic. Seemed like the layout of the classrooms also really lent themselves to the developmental needs of the kids.”

“Students' use of high-level academic vocabulary in very young classes, and at the level of application -- are these pancakes undergoing a chemical change or a physical change?”

-Beth

“It's evident your staff has worked to create a warm, loving, and passionate learning culture.  I especially enjoyed the vivid room environments, full of life and learning at every turn.”

“Celeste, thanks again for opening up that shared reading session to us. I thought it was really insightful and the application seemed so practical. I think we'll be looking into doing those learning labs at GCS next year.

“Jennifer, thank you for your help connecting us!”

-Linda