

Dear Watershed Community,

Just a short note this week to highlight some visitors to Watershed in the past few days.

On Tuesday we hosted a group of 17 teachers and administrators from the Kansas City public school district. They are visiting and learning from innovative schools as they think about the future of education for their students and their schools. Their visit was coordinated by [Getting Smart](#), an organization dedicated to encouraging and supporting innovation in education. We are connected to Getting Smart through their CEO, Tom Vander Ark. Tom is also the author of a book our educators read together, [Difference Making at the Heart of Learning](#). We feel honored that Getting Smart chose Watershed as a school to visit to learn about the future of education! It's gratifying to be part of a broader movement to improve education.

On Wednesday, we welcomed two international friends – important partners for our May Term courses. Jane Wathagana from Mama Beth's NGO in Kenya and Eddy Cardoza from Asociacion de Programa Integral Educando con Amor y Tenure (APIEAT) in Nicaragua spent the morning and lunch with us. Jane and Eddy connected with staff and students and sat in on student presentations in the Borders and Immigration Expedition course. In collaboration with our Community Partner, "Empowering Communities Globally," Watershed May Term courses worked closely with Jane last year and Eddy for a number of years. You can learn more about Empowering Communities Globally, Mama Beth's and APIEAT at <https://empoweringcommunitiesglobally.org/>.

Just two small examples of Watershed's reach. A leading national organization asking us to host teachers looking to improve their schools, and social change agents we work with across the globe visiting us to catch up and strengthen our partnerships. Pretty impressive for a small school in Boulder.

Thanks for reading.

Warmly,

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