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Mrs. Thompson,

 During the spring of 2013 my students and I will be completing a tele-collaborative project through the Center for Innovation in Engineering and Science Education (CIESE). Through this project, my students will be working to collect data on our local environment and share information with other students from around the world. This is a wonderful hands-on and collaborative project that will teach students about similarities and differences in the ground and soil around the globe.

 I wanted to inform you about this project because there are special considerations and materials that will be needed and your assistance is greatly appreciated:

-Use of either a Computer Lab or a Laptop Cart for an extended period of time (approximately 1 week) to participate in this project.

-Use of a class set of FlipCameras to record their ground squares (1-2 days)

-Extended Science time to gather data and compare to other schools.

I am looking forward to the great opportunity that my students will be provided to learn about our local environment and other’s around the world. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this project, please feel free to contact me.

 Thank you,

 Liz O’Connor