# EAST It's not the direction

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## ENVIRONMENTAL AND SPATIAL TECHNOLOGY

## 226 Schools – 8 States



#### We Believe:

**Our Vision** 



• Students should, can, and will take responsibility for their own learning when given the opportunity.

• Students should be actively engaged in solving problems in their communities.





• Students should be given access to relevant and challenging resources and tools to use in solving these identified problems.

• Students should be allowed (indeed required) to collaborate with each other and with professionals in their communities as they grow and develop their capacity to be positive agents of change.



# EAST Standards

In EAST, students will improve their ability to...

- •Take responsibility for self-directed learning
- •Ethically apply resources and problem-solving strategies to real-world problems
- •Collaborate as a productive team member
- •Research and evaluate resources to determine their validity and relevance
- •Communicate with a variety of audiences using multiple modes
- •Develop solutions to community-based problems using **emerging technology** within the context of service learning projects
- **Demonstrate confidence** in their own abilities to meet the challenges of the 21st century.

### The Evolution of the Learning

What we do is simple... How we do it is not!

<u>We Do</u>: Use student interest to make them active participants in their own learning

#### **Necessary:** Re-define the traditional classroom

- Primary Learning Objective Shift from learning concepts to application of concepts
- Role & Function of the Teacher Shift from instruction to managing students self-instruction
- Role & Function of the Student From passive recipient of information to actively responsible for skills & content and working with others to apply it

## **GIS** Projects

## Okmulgee State Park trail mapping

## Rogers County Mapping

EAST: Education is Different Here

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