



OUTDOOR CLASSROOM CASE STUDY # 27

Walnut Street Elementary (K-5)

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Read all about it! Press Coverage is very helpfull

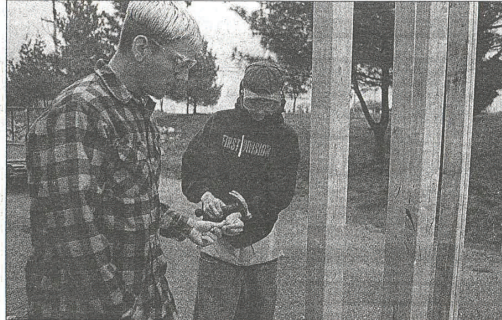
Outdoor classroom a living lesson

SOME OCEAN COUNTY STUDENTS ARE CREATING ENVIRONMENTS WHERE LEARNING CAN THRIVE ALONGSIDE NATIVE SPECIES

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Flower by flower, plant by plant, students at four Ocean County schools are working this spring to nurture the environment while learning in the process.

Dodging April showers, the schools are putting in motion the plans that earned each of them a \$500 outdoor classroom grant from the Ocean County Soil Conservation District. This weekend, students, nurents



The \$ Thing

The OCSCD awarded a \$500 grant in 1997 to begin this courtyard renovation. The school also received great community and school support.

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GATHER SUPPORT–CAST THE NET!

Included with this grant application were letters from:

- Walnut Street Elementary School Principal
- Walnut Street Elementary School PTO
- Ocean County Shade Tree Commission
- Township of Dover Beautification Commission
- Ocean County Engineering Department

Newsletter Spotlight

Constant notes home, continued press coverage, communication with teachers, staff and administration kept this project going strong! Students of all grade levels were involved at every stage of the pro-



A sampling of photos from the courtyard garden.



Sometimes, a more formal

Garden is desired.

