

# Teacher Testimonial - Support for Teachers' Own Goals

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## SPEAKERS

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I must admit, I love it every year I this is this is probably one of my favorite parts of the year. And it's when we do this. And I think the reason is, is because I see my students grow. As an again, I know I've said this before, but I'll say it again as human beings, not just as students, but as human beings, being a new teacher and being a first time teacher not knowing, okay, what kind of resources to use, and they were pretty much laid out, they will lead out well enough that I was like, Okay, I could look at this curriculum guide, look at my learning goals or outcomes, and match them. And the way I was laid out made that easy for me,



**Chef** 00:48

one of the opportunities that YPI offers, every student and every teacher who may be in the same situation, by the way, is to start looking at your community through different pairs of glasses, I wear these and and start to say, Okay, let's look at it through racism, sexism, homophobia, anti LGBTQ, specific things against indigenous tradition, et cetera, all this sort of stuff. So all of a sudden, you can start to have conversations, you can start to have realizations, and a much deeper understanding of who you are, where you are, how you are, and why, how that works. And for a lot of kids, that's a real eye opener,



**Neelam Mal** 01:38

I was actually just having this conversation with a student not even an hour ago, where when I set up a school year, whatever that means, in my programming for students, my greatest wish is for them to be actively engaged in the world and critical thinkers, right. And I want them to be able to articulate the connections that they're making between the specific the specific outcomes in a curriculum to sort of the state of the world. So I think that that YPI certainly allows for that encourages it is the point of it.