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## An Exciting Naturalized Playground Partnership with Bienenstock Natural Playgrounds and the Early Childhood Community Development Centre

Bienenstock Natural Playgrounds and the ECCDC are joining forces to support you in naturalizing your early learning and child care playground. The Bienenstock Team will offer design recommendations to transform your outdoor environment, while the ECCDC will offer customized nature education through supporting the selection of innovative materials and offering strategies for creating inspiring outdoor experiences for children.

The Bienenstock Team will visit your centre to assess the space and learn more about your hopes for the naturalized playground. Following their visit, they will send in a surveyor to complete some preliminary mapping which will be used to design your customized plan. The visits will result in your program receiving a 3D drawing, list of costing for desired installations and work, standards specification sheets, and a technical construction plan.

The ECCDC will offer guidance in the selection of resources and materials that may be borrowed or purchased for use in your outdoor space and will facilitate customized training to your team; sharing recommendations and strategies in planning nature experiences for children. Additionally, we'll support you in the ongoing maintenance of your naturalized playground.

We are looking to trial this innovative new partnership with ECCDC Group Members. Any programs wishing to be a part of the pilot will receive a discount off the design consultation and customized training package cost.

To learn more about the Consultation and Training Service and associated fees please call the ECCDC at 905.646.7311 ext. 321 or email larial@eccdc.org.

**Not a Group Member?** To learn more about becoming an ECCDC Group Member, please visit www.eccdc.org.

