

Hi Global People~

I am the K-6 librarian at Tudor Elementary School in Anchorage, Alaska. As a global educator, I get a chance to connect students to projects and students all over the world. We are starting this year by ramping up International Dot Day, which is September 15th.

We are looking for teachers, classrooms, authors, artists, scientists, activists, etc. from all over the world to connect with us by doing the following:

- *Read or Watch (youtube) The Dot by Peter Reynolds
- *Think about/Talk about the symbolism of the story
- *Create a "dot" with whatever medium you choose for yourself and/or for students.
- *Connect with my students, *for 25 minutes*, using Skype or Hangouts, to cross-share our dots and talk about how we in the world are all connected, *like a circle or "dot"*. The sign up is at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084fa4a82ea2f58-international>

Note: If you are not able to connect because of time zones, or simply unavailable, you can upload pictures or videos of your dots to https://padlet.com/carton_michelle/dotday

Here are some more resources/info to get you started:

- ∞ You can "sign up" to be a part of the Global International Dot Day Movement (at my school, we make it dot week!) <http://www.thedotclub.org/dotday/>
- ∞ With students, we check out the gallery: <http://www.thedotclub.org/dotday/get-inspired/gallery>
- ∞ "Dots" can be physical art, digital art, photographs, "dot" songs/writing, and/or whatever your imagination creates!

When we skype, we will talk about:

- *Why dot day matters (why global connecting and global citizenship matters)
- *"The circle of life" and how we are all connected (and how this relates to Alaska)
- *Where in Alaska life, we see "dots"
- *Where/how in your community people are connected (the circle of life)
- *Then, students will have a chance to introduce themselves and share their "dots"

It's that easy! Connect with us and connect with the world!