OLTD 502 – Reflection on my Major Project of creating a website resource for Teachers Teaching on Call to demonstrate my understanding of the OLTD Learning Outcome – ***Demonstrate basic competency with design and implementation within blended and online learning environments.***

The second piece of evidence that I have chosen is the website I designed and created for TTOC's. I wanted to have a place I could curate useful resources, online tools, and lessons for substitute teachers. When substitute teachers walk into a new school or a new class, they still carry their 'bag of tricks.' The teachers4teachers website is something that the teacher on call can add to that bag of tricks.

This project came with its own set of challenges but like anything else worth doing, it's worth taking the time, being patient, and surrendering to the process. I learned a lot about copy right and trademark policies, custom domains, image licensing, and working within google sites. There were so many moving parts to this project, and it was when things started to get overwhelming that I was grateful to have a mind map to refer back to. It helped to keep my thoughts and ideas organized and it provided me with an end goal in mind. It was also important to me that the layout of the website was easy to navigate through. When teaching on call, time is of the essence, and having a website that is easy to follow and resources that are easy to find is essential.

As a future online educator it's important to me that I lead by example by modeling basic competency with design and implementation within those learning environments. I think by continuing to develop those skills as I move forward, it will help me to become prepared, organized, and confident within blended and online learning environments.