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Patrick Richards is a lifelong educator and recent doctoral graduate from the University of Saskatchewan. Previously, he had completed a Master of Education and a Master of International Studies. Currently teaching high school and lecturing in rural Saskatchewan, Patrick is also furthering his research in critical pedagogy and the role of the teacher as an ally. He is proud of his work in this domain, where he volunteers and promotes Indigenous education for non-Indigenous educators.

Jaclyn Roach is a cis, white, heterosexual settler educator teaching at the University of Regina and SUNTEP. As a sessional instructor and M.Ed. student researching trauma-informed pedagogy, she works alongside teacher candidates to imagine what schools could become when we challenge existing systems and centre relational pedagogies. Her teaching and scholarship are rooted in care, justice, and possibility, grounded in the belief that classrooms can be gentler, braver, and more human. She is committed to helping future educators build learning spaces that move beyond what school is and toward what it could be.

Elizabeth Suazo-Flores is an assistant professor at the University of North Dakota, teaching mathematics methods courses for elementary and secondary pre-service and in-service teachers. Her research uses socioecological and narrative research approaches to position students, teachers, mathematics teacher educators and researchers as knowledgeable and becoming. Elizabeth enjoys learning about people's ways of knowing and building from them to create activities that allow teachers, families, and students to see themselves as doers of mathematics and stewards of their local and global contexts.

Elizabeth Szymanski is a post-secondary educator and doctoral researcher whose work explores the intersections of narrative inquiry, teacher education, and socio-emotional learning. She has over three years of teaching experience at St. Clair College in Windsor, Ontario, where she is committed to fostering inclusive, student-centred learning grounded in critical reflection. She is currently pursuing her PhD, in which her research hopes to contribute to a deeper understanding of how reflective inquiry supports transformative educational spaces. Elizabeth's research interests focus on educators' lived experiences, identity development, and critical approaches to curriculum design.