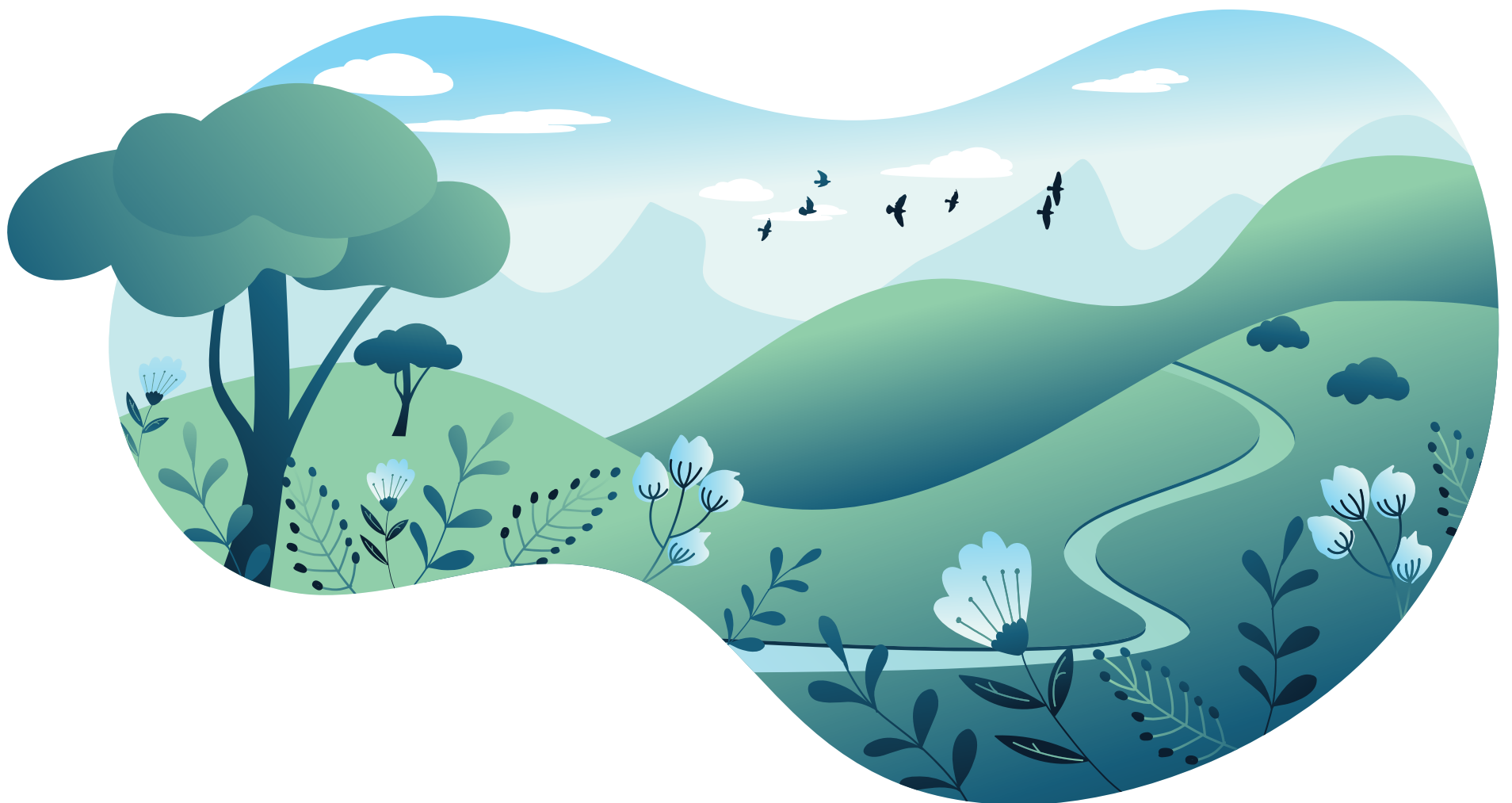


WHAT IS ECOLOGICAL TETHERING?

Ecological tethering is where the student misses the physical aspects of home, such as lakes, mountains, or cityscapes. Fear of success, isolation, and low study times all led to lower GPAs in students that reported ecological tethering.¹



Students that experienced ecological tethering reported the highest levels of isolation, the highest fear of success, the lowest levels of study time, and the lowest GPAs.¹



1) Wilson, S. P., Gore, J. S., Renfro, A., Blake, M., Muncie, E., & Treadway, J. (2018). The tether to home, university connectedness, and the Appalachian student. *Journal of College Student Retention: Research, Theory & Practice*, 20(1), 139-160. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1521025116652635>