# Sustainability in Our Schools World Café Harvest of Ideas and Inspiration March 16, 2022

#### As a school community, we envision our sustainability goals to ...

- Involve students
- Be integrated into our curriculum
- Include partnerships with other agencies and groups
- Become actions as part of our strategic plan (e.g., to reduce waste and achieve net zero carbon emissions)

### We are able to achieve our sustainability goals because ...

- We have unique local resources
- We have wide community support
- We have commitment from the Board of Education
- We have climate champions within and around our schools

### In one year, we hope to achieve the following:

- Increased biking and walking to school
- Trained custodians and maintenance staff in managing waste
- Expanded hard-to-recycle waste collections
- Sustainability representatives within the district's strategic planning process
- Sustainability metrics to measure our success
- Community service requirements that include sustainability
- Eliminated all single use plastics in our cafeterias
- Explored EV charging stations for workplace use

## In five years, we hope to achieve the following:

- Installed rooftop solar for all buildings
- Integrated building controls
- Incorporated sustainable landscaping practices
- Initiated the transition to non-gas powered equipment
- Explored the purchase of electric buses
- Transitioned towards net-zero emissions

We acknowledge that we may struggle with some of these goals due to a lack of time, cost, aptitude or attention, but it is our goal to utilize our unique skills and assets to begin action.



