Principles & Indicators



Global Citizenship

1 Community Engagement

Future Friendly Schools engage with local, regional, and global organizations to access expertise and contribute to positive change.

Indicators:

- Inclusion of Service Learning as an educational tool where students address real-world problems and opportunities.
- Global and local organizations with a focus on global citizenship are engaged as partners.

2 Global Learning

Future Friendly Schools integrate global issues and diverse perspectives into curriculum and pedagogy to reflect our interconnected world.

Indicators:

- Educators strive to integrate global issues and perspectives across the curriculum in all subject areas.
- Resources used reflect diverse perpsectives; when teaching about different nations, primary texts/native authors are used.
- World history, religion, and a diversity of languages are taught.

3 Professional Learning

Future Friendly Schools provide professional learning opportunities that support global citizenship.

Indicators:

- Professional learning opportunities focused on global citizenship education are available to educators.
- Peer-to-peer professional learning across borders is encouraged and supported.

4 School Culture

Future Friendly Schools have a culture that promotes and celebrates global citizenship.

Indicators:

- School clubs and extra-curricular activities related to global issues and cultural diversity are active.
- Multiculturalism is celebrated and visible at the school (through flags, multimedia, art/murals, student and staff diversity, displays in halls).
- The school vision and/or mission reflect an emphasis on global citzenship.

5 School Partnerships

Future Friendly Schools connect and collaborate locally and globally to build intercultural understanding and teamwork.

Indicators:

 Schools have long-term relationships with other schools to facilitate curriculum collaboration, student exchange, and service learning.



Student Voice

1 Student-centered Learning

A Future Friendly School's curriculum reflects student input and its pedagogy is student-led.

Indicators:

- Students have an opportunity to provide feedback on their learning experiences.
- Students interests are reflected in learning content.
- Students have the opportunity to teach and learn from one another.
- Educators personalize learning to meet a variety of student needs and learning styles.

2 Learning Environment

A Future Friendly School provides students with the ability to influence their learning environment.

Indicators:

 Students are able to play a role in customizing their physical learning spaces.



3 School Policy

A Future Friendly School consults with students on policies.

Indicators:

- Students have a role in making decisions related to school policies and structure.
- Students participate in discussions related to school policies and structure, school improvement planning.

4 School Culture

A Future Friendly School embraces an inclusive school culture.

Indicators:

- Staff and students collaborate on school-wide projects and events.
- Students have a voice in creating a culture that is socially inclusive and celebrates diversity.

5 Student Leadership

A Future Friendly School provides opportunities for meaningful student leadership.

Indicators:

- Students have opportunities for leadership & skill-building across subjects and extra-curricular activities.
- Student-led leadership bodies are in place (e.g. advisory councils, student council, etc) and reflect the diversity of the student body.



Environmental Stewardship

Connections to the Community

A Future Friendly School provides environmental learning opportunities in the local community.

Indicators:

- School is part of community-wide environmental programs and initiatives.
- Students learn about the environment through the lens of issues facing their local communities.

2 Policies and Practices

A Future Friendly School has environmentally friendly policies and practices in place.

Indicators:

- Waste reduction policies & practices are in place, including reducing consumable product use, composting, etc.
- Energy and water use is minimized through energy conservation policies & initiatives.
- Students and staff are encouraged to minimize the impact of their transportation choices on the environment.

3 Interdisciplinary Work

A Future Friendly School approaches environmental education in interdisciplinary ways.

Indicators:

• Environmental issues are explored across all subjects and grade levels.

4 The Outdoors

A Future Friendly School cares for the outdoor environment.

Indicators:

- School grounds incorporate environmental elements, such as gardens, ponds, conservation areas, etc.
- Students learn about local and global food production through the school's garden or community partnerships.

5 Health and Well-being

A Future Friendly School is dedicated to the health and well-being of all students, teachers and staff.

Indicators:

- Healthy and environmentally sustainable food options are available.
- Opportunities for outdoor daily physical activity are present.