

Activity 3: Future NBS School – A Creative Vision Board

Objective

- Encourage educators to creatively envision the future of Nature-Based Solutions (NBS) in schools.
- Foster collaboration, creativity, and out-of-the-box thinking.
- Develop a visual representation of an ideal NBS-based learning environment.

Materials/Resources

- Magazines, newspapers, colored paper, glue, scissors (for in-person activity).
- Digital tools such as Canva, Miro, Padlet, Google Slides (for remote activity).
- Printed or online resources on innovative NBS practices.

Instructions for Teachers

1. **Introduction (10')**
 - Brief discussion on current NBS applications in education.
 - Reflection on the potential of future schools integrating NBS.
2. **Group Formation (5')**
 - Participants form small teams (3-5 people).
3. **Vision Board Creation (30')**
 - Teams design a visual board showcasing their dream NBS school.
 - They can use physical materials (cutouts, sketches) or digital platforms to create collages, mind maps, or presentations.
4. **Gallery Walk & Storytelling (25')**
 - Each team presents their vision board and describes their future NBS school.
 - Participants engage in a “gallery walk” (either physically or digitally), leaving comments or suggestions.
5. **Reflection & Discussion (20')**
 - Teams discuss key takeaways and how they can implement parts of their vision in real classrooms.
 - Facilitator guides a discussion on the feasibility and challenges of NBS integration in education.

Conclusion

- Participants gain a fun and engaging experience in ideating sustainable schools.
- The vision boards serve as inspiration for practical implementation.
- Encourages creative problem-solving and teamwork.

Reflection Questions for Teachers

1. What inspired your vision of a future NBS school?
2. How did your team decide which elements to include in your design?
3. What challenges did you face during the creative process?
4. How feasible do you think your vision is in today’s education system?



5. What small steps can you take to start implementing aspects of your vision in your school?