INTRODUCTION

The world’s growing population of youth is motivated to become changemakers and lead us to a better tomorrow. And they have already started. The talented, ambitious, and active youth of today are already making waves across their communities. The Global Schools Program has been driving change and promoting sustainable development on an international level, while bringing the Global Schools community closer together. The Global Schools Student Symposium will act as a platform for forward-thinking students to showcase their work in driving positive change in their schools and countries. The Global Schools Student Symposium will also offer an opportunity for students from across the globe to not only share their projects and experiences but also engage, learn and grow. The conference will equip hundreds of young people from across the globe with new knowledge, skills, and networks to prepare them in building their careers to become leaders who initiate positive change.

COLLABORATORS
**A Story of CHANGE**

The theme of the conference is “A Story of Change”. During Day 1 of the conference, students will have the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions, various skill-building workshops, and global networking with students, practitioners, and educators to understand how they can shape their careers to take on the challenges of the future. On Day 2, students will be encouraged to submit and showcase their involvement in bettering their communities through creative outlets such as poems, comics, artworks, short stories, etc. In addition to showcasing their individual work, delegates will have the opportunity to apply for the Sustainability Journey Competition which will offer them the opportunity to have their projects officially published by a professional.

**DRAFT AGENDA**

**DAY 1 - JUNE 10:**
- Opening Keynote speaker
- Presentation on Careers in Sustainability
- Career Workshops
- Closing Plenary: Global Schools, SDSN Youth, and youth-focused organizations

**DAY 2 - JUNE 11:**
- Student project showcase
- Networking

The outcome of the Global Schools Student Symposium is to connect students, our next generation of leaders, in a meaningful way, and allow students to share and learn from each other’s experiences. Participants will leave the conference with new ideas on taking local action to achieve the SDGs, and grow their network of supporters. To continue their impact journey, students are encouraged to stay in touch with the Global Schools community and the experts they meet.

**OBJECTIVES**

**Grow & Build**
Learn about diverse sustainability careers and understand the opportunities to shape your own journey.

**Design & Share**
Create and showcase SDG experiences with other students through creative outputs.

**Learn & Connect**
Engage with aspiring youth and experts to learn about innovative tools that can help initiate impactful change.