

“The Climate Action Plan was made for progress, not perfection, and we are seeing progress already.”

LeeAnn Kittle,
Executive Director
of Sustainability

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN: YEAR ONE

At a Glance

Environmental Protection Reduce overall greenhouse gas emissions by at least 90%* by 2050.

BUILT ENVIRONMENT

TRANSPORTATION

ACHIEVEMENTS

Built DPS' **first all-electric school**, Responsive Arts & STEAM Academy FNE.

Partnered with Denver to install a **309 kW solar carport, 2 charging stations, and 3 solar canopies**.

Updated design standards to include electric vehicles, photovoltaics, and heat pumps.

Awarded \$12.1M from CPDHE and U.S. EPA to purchase **20 electric school buses** and **12 charging stations** at no charge to DPS.

Economic Prosperity Reduce natural resource consumption and waste year-over-year.

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

WELLNESS

ACHIEVEMENTS

Used 9% less energy than the 2021 baseline.

Six schools received ENERGY STAR certification.

Had **78 active school gardens** that provided outdoor sanctuaries and food production.

Harvested over **21,000 pounds of tomatoes** at the Glenbrook Greenhouse.

Social Development All students and staff are engaged in sustainability by 2050.

ENGAGEMENT + ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

CAREER + CURRICULUM

ACHIEVEMENTS

Partnered with DPS Students for Climate Action to host the **second annual DPS Climate Summit**.

Four schools received NWF's EcoSchools Certification.

Awarded Climate Champions grants to **14 schools** to implement project-based learning opportunities.

19% of all unique work-based learning participants participated in activities that promoted sustainability careers or highlighted sustainability.

34 students participated in the Renewable Energy Academy, and an additional **23 students** participated in sustainability-related internships.