

The Challenge—Adopting Environmental and Sustainability Education Strategies

This document represents a thoughtful collection of strategic ideas for making Ontario a healthier, more environmentally sustainable province. It is designed to be a living document, a catalyst for activity and new ideas. The challenge it offers is to match the proposed strategies with groups and individuals prepared to bring them to fruition. The broad range of strategic ideas contained here invites participation from individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, and government agencies.

Success in raising the profile of environmental learning to a more broadly and formally supported undertaking will depend on the degree of participation across sectors. EEON has begun the process by assembling this collective vision of what is needed to develop a more ecologically literate society. As a facilitator and educational organization, our focus after distributing the plan will be:

- to assemble and make available E&SE information for all audience sectors
- to facilitate communication among supporters of E&SE
- to provide opportunities for face-to-face collaboration among those who wish to implement selected strategies
- to report on progress

For our readers, the challenge is to provide the commitment and the energy to adopt individual strategies and to make these strategies a part of their environmental priorities and activities. Much can be accomplished by working together for a common goal across a multitude of participant groups, strategies, and complementary actions. We invite all interested members of the Ontario public to accept this challenge to achieve a more environmentally healthy, sustainable, and ecologically literate province. We also ask participants to communicate their involvement to us through our website at www.eeon.org. (see page 107).

