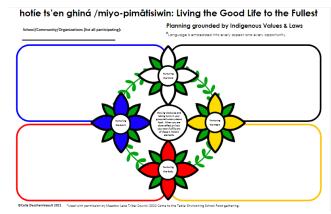
Holistic Framework: Planning Grounded in Indigenous Values & Laws

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Process:

Participants were invited to share in small groups during a structured discussion using the tool. The holistic nature of the tool invited participants to reflect on the four elements of holistic model: mind, emotions/heart, body and spirit. Any participant that did not wish to participate was welcome to pass and simply listen to the responses from other participants.



Recording & Reporting Back:

A new template was used to record the answers of participants as they worked through the tool and shared their thoughts. Participants were then given an opportunity to report back to the group about some of the key themes that came out of their discussions and any issues they felt compelled to bring forward as they begin to think about planning school food programming.

Using a Holistic Model:

If you'd like to try a similar activity, consider working with an elder or knowledge keeper in your area to develop a holistic framework that would work in your community.

Questions or Comments:

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