



## **Northern Forum Schools Association**

**2025**

### **Progress Report**

#### **Establishment and goals**

The Northern Forum Schools Association was established on September 27, 2024, at the initiative of the Northern Forum, an international organization of northern regions. The main goal of the Northern Forum Schools Association is to develop a regulatory framework for cooperation between schools in the northern regions. To this end, the Northern Forum Schools Association Charter was adopted and the Action Plan was developed. The Association unites 16 schools from Russia and Mongolia.

#### **Events**

Over the past year, each NFSA member school held events in accordance with the developed plan. These events included Olympiads, research-to-practice conferences, drawing competitions, and various activities for students. Total about 2,189 students and teachers participated in the events.

#### **NFSA Projects**

***Teenage Climate Ambassador*** is a three-stage competition, with a jury consisting of the NF Goodwill Ambassadors and independent experts. The winner was Aurika Popova, a student of the Arctic School in Yakutsk, who participated online in the climate summit in Belém, Brazil.

***ALSIB Route of Courage*** is a Victory Day project that annually brings the Northern Forum schools together for the joint events. This year, students from Megino-Kangalassky and Khangalassky Districts joined the project.

***School of Life in the North*** is a project run by Chiryaevs Yakutsk City National Gymnasium, which involved about 765 children. The competitions included cross-curricular and analytical tasks.

***Living under the North Star*** is a cultural and educational project dedicated to the Arctic Day in Russia, conducted by the Secondary School # 16 in Tomsk.

***Friendship between City Classical Gymnasium # 8 and Kitengela International School*** is an eco-project involving schoolchildren from Yakutsk and Kenya.

***Red Book Through the Eyes of Children*** is a project conducted by Talinka Secondary School of Khanty-Mansyisk Autonomous Okrug-Yugra; its exhibition was organized in Delhi, India.

***For Russian*** is a project supported by the NF Goodwill Ambassador aimed at promoting Russian language in Mongolia. Volunteer teachers were awarded a medal for their contribution to the development of education in Mongolia.

### **Final event**

Participation in the Northern Sustainable Development Forum became the highlight of the year for the NFSA. It frameworkd a roundtable *International School Cooperation via Horizontal Communication of the NF Regions' School Associations: Challenges and Solutions*. Schools from Yakutsk, Tatta and Gorny Districts, Tomsk and Irkutsk Oblasts, Khanty-Mansyisk Autonomous Okrug-Yugra, and Mongolia participated in the roundtable. It was decided to expand interregional and international multilateral cooperation in the interests of children.

The NSDF also hosted a world café Q&A session *I Have a Question*, which brought together 10 NF Goodwill Ambassadors and about 70 NFSA students.