

## Sticker Voting

A good method for facilitating group decision making is sticker voting.

- 1) As a group, generate a list of elements to include in the garden design. If people are having a hard time generating ideas on their own, offer some possible garden elements suggestions. Some suggestions are: seating areas, potting station, greenhouse, arbor, theme gardens (i.e. 5 senses, Native American crop garden, crops from around the world, CA native plants, rainbow garden), a garden mural, bird bath, bulletin board, drip irrigation system, weather station, or an outdoor cob oven.
- 2) Clearly write each idea on a sticky note. Then, put up the sticky notes on a big white board or any other surface that everyone can see.
- 3) Next, give every participant three stickers, each with a number on it: 15, 10, and 5. Everyone votes on the three things that he/she most wants to include in the garden, placing their stickers on the sticky notes. 15 on their top choice, 10 on their second choice, and 5 on their third choice.
- 4) After everyone votes, tally up the numbers. The elements with the highest numbers are the priorities to include in the school garden design.