



# Here Now, Gone Tomorrow

A Children's Book on Climate Change and Its  
Impact on Endangered Species

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As a collaborative project between the Chula Vista and North County campuses, students created and published a children's book detailing their chosen endangered species challenged with the impacts of climate change. Students created a watercolor illustration of their endangered species which was included in the children's book. Our created children's book is now being used to help educate other students and the public, on how human impact has become problematic for our wildlife. This project was aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards.

### Teacher Reflection

This was such an impactful project dealing with a very important issue, not only in our country, but worldwide. Students were able to be scientists, researchers, artists all in one through this project. To have the students create their own learning around this issue by exploring this phenomena really allowed for them to want to become activists. Also, the cross-school collaboration allowed for our schools to come together. We feel literacy is very important and we wanted to find a fun way to incorporate it in a math and science classroom. We saw students step out of their comfort zone, and we teachers did too. We had no experience using watercolors, and it was great learning experience, which we shared with our students.

### Student Reflections

I feel good about helping the earth, because now I know ways to save the environment in the future. —Rishi

I didn't know I could paint. My animal looks really cool! —Leo

The best part was seeing my book on a website. People can buy it and my name is there. —Illeana

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