BIA Climate Change Photo Contest

Spring 2016

K -5th Grade

Christopher Worrell

1st grade

Dehesa Elementary

“Just Trees”

Bianca Brown

5th Grade

Dehesa Elementary

“No need for text the picture says it all”

Leah Worrell

4th Grade

Dehesa Elementary

“Spring Brings All Sunshine of the World”

Rylee Kay Jackson

5th Grade

Reagan Elementary

"The climate in Oklahoma in the past two years has become very dry causing much of our state to face drought conditions. It has become so dry that wild fires have started and burned thousands of acres. Because there are numerous dry leaves and dried grass accumulating, our environment is facing less chances of plentiful crops, erosion, and chances for more wild fires."

Daunavya Asmond

2nd grade

Stillaguaumish Tribe

“Climate change will make the water warmer and there will be no fish and no snow.”

Josephine Stanley

4th Grade

Stillaguamish Tribe

“Climate change will kill the trees.”

Gage Boser

2nd Grade

Stillaguamish Tribe

“If it gets too hot the pretty birds will have no place to live.”

Jordyn Bruner

3rd Grade

Stillaguamish Tribe

"The climate change is effecting the Stillaguamish River by starting to cause a drought and we need the beavers to build a dam to help the salmon."

Dakoda A. Moore

3rd Grade

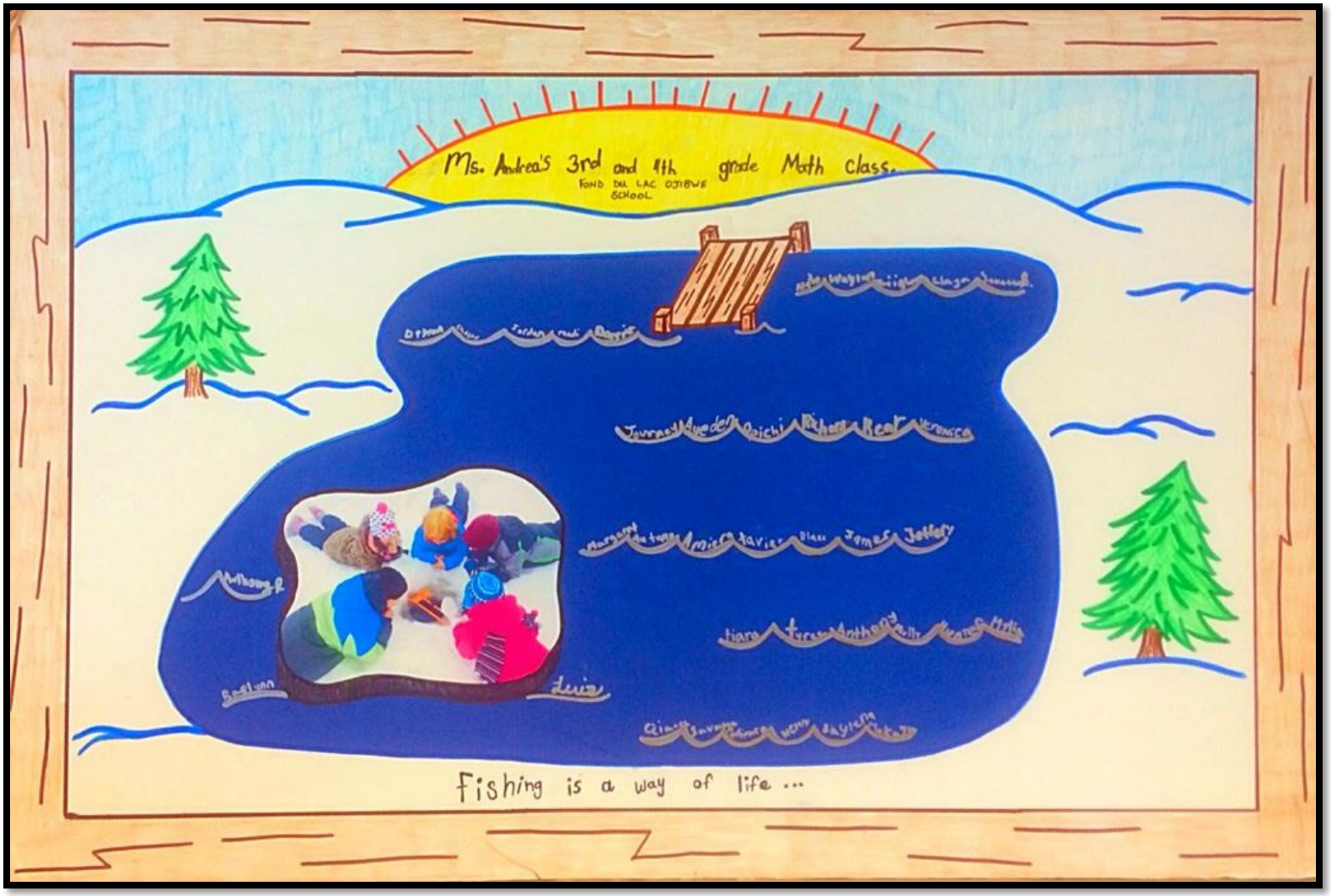
Lewis E. Rowe Elementary

“If our climate keeps changing we will lose precious bees that pollinate plants, and fruits and vegetables that we eat.”

Ms. Andrea's 3rd and 4th grade math class

Fond du Lac Ojibwe School

"If the water temperature stays too warm for too long, lakes and rivers will no longer provide a suitable home for fish."



6th – 8th Grade

Jasmine Luther

8th Grade

Rocky Ridge Boarding School

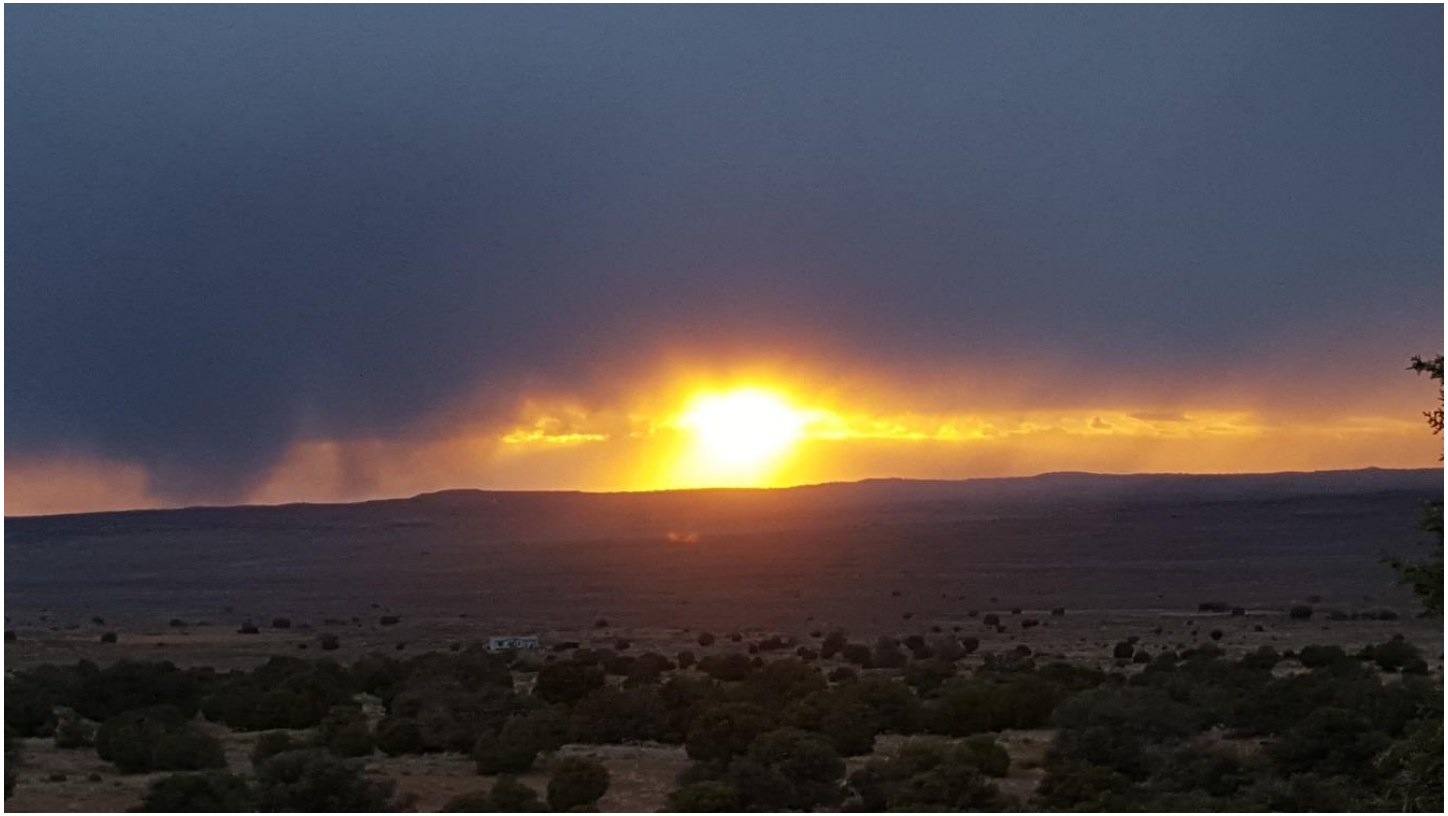
"I am Dine' (Navajo), 15 years old, my clans are Tangled Clan, Mexican Clan, Deer Spring Clan, and Towering House Clan. This photo was taken from the side of my house on Ram Ranch Road, of Little Black Spotted Mountain. Climate change predictions for Navajo lands are that there will be less female spring rain and snow falls, as Dine' elders call them. Then the native plants and trees will be affected and the soil will dry up and our land will look dead like a desert with brown trees and plants. I value the female spring rain and snow falls."

Lorene Nequatewa

8th Grade

Rocky Ridge Boarding School

"This is a rain cloud photo from my front door on the Hopi Third Mesa, Arizona. I am a 13 year old young woman, half Hopi and half Navajo; my mother is Navajo and my father is Hopi. My clans are Ashihii (Salt) and Badger. Climate change predictions for our land is drought and a few violent wind and rain storms per year. Seeing this view at the end of every one of my days, it makes me think of how lucky I am to be a Native, that I can tell several sides of one story. And if climate change changes this for me, then I would have no reason for myself to walk out my own door and face everything I do within my day. If this changes too much, then its taking a part of who I am today. I don't want climate change to change who I am, so I can use my Hopi and Navajo Traditional Ecological Knowledge to adapt and prosper."



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Canyon Day Jr. High School

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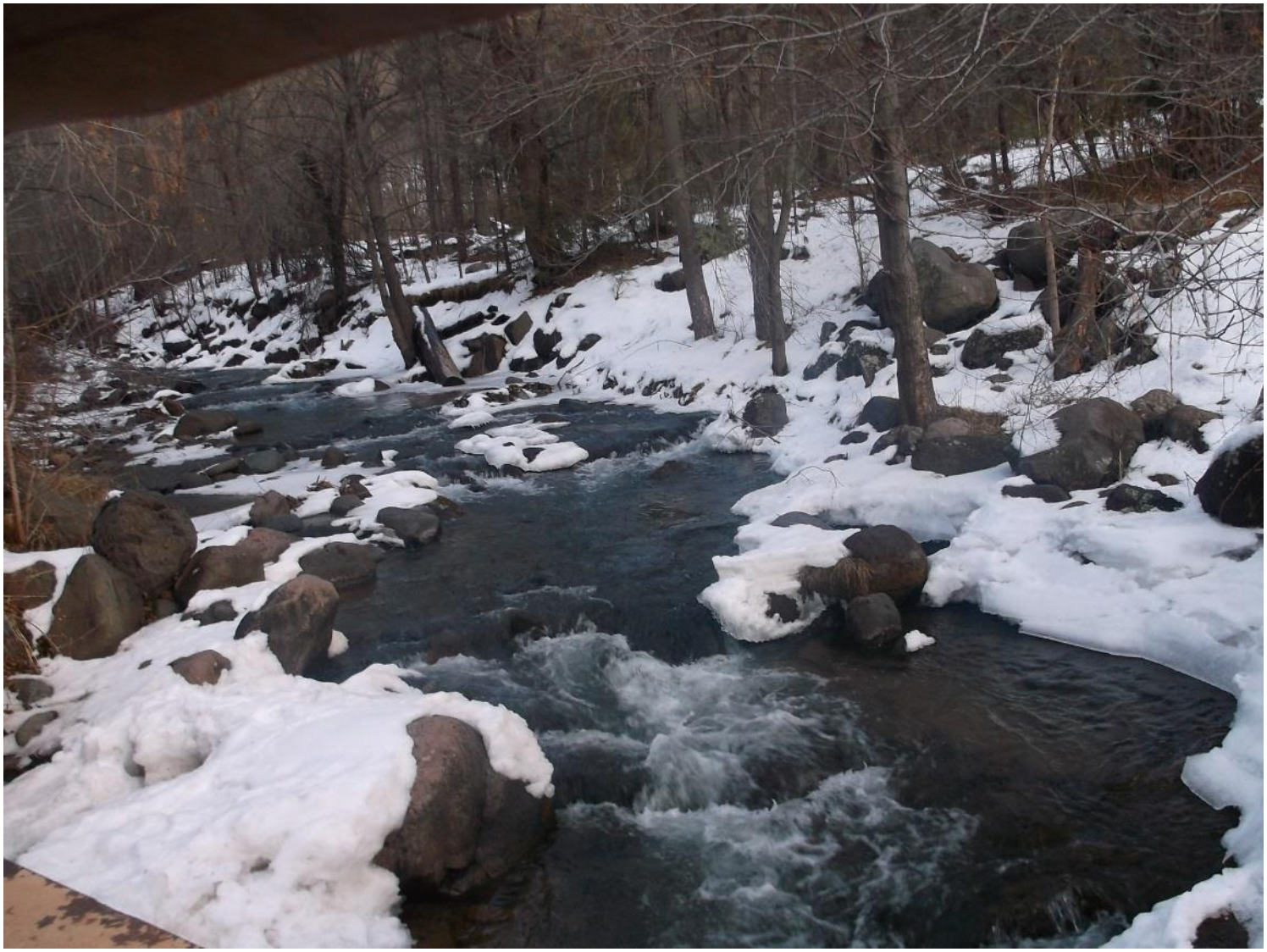

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Nathan Ray Staley

6th Grade

Canadian Oklahoma

"Water, Water Everywhere But Not a Drop to Drink"

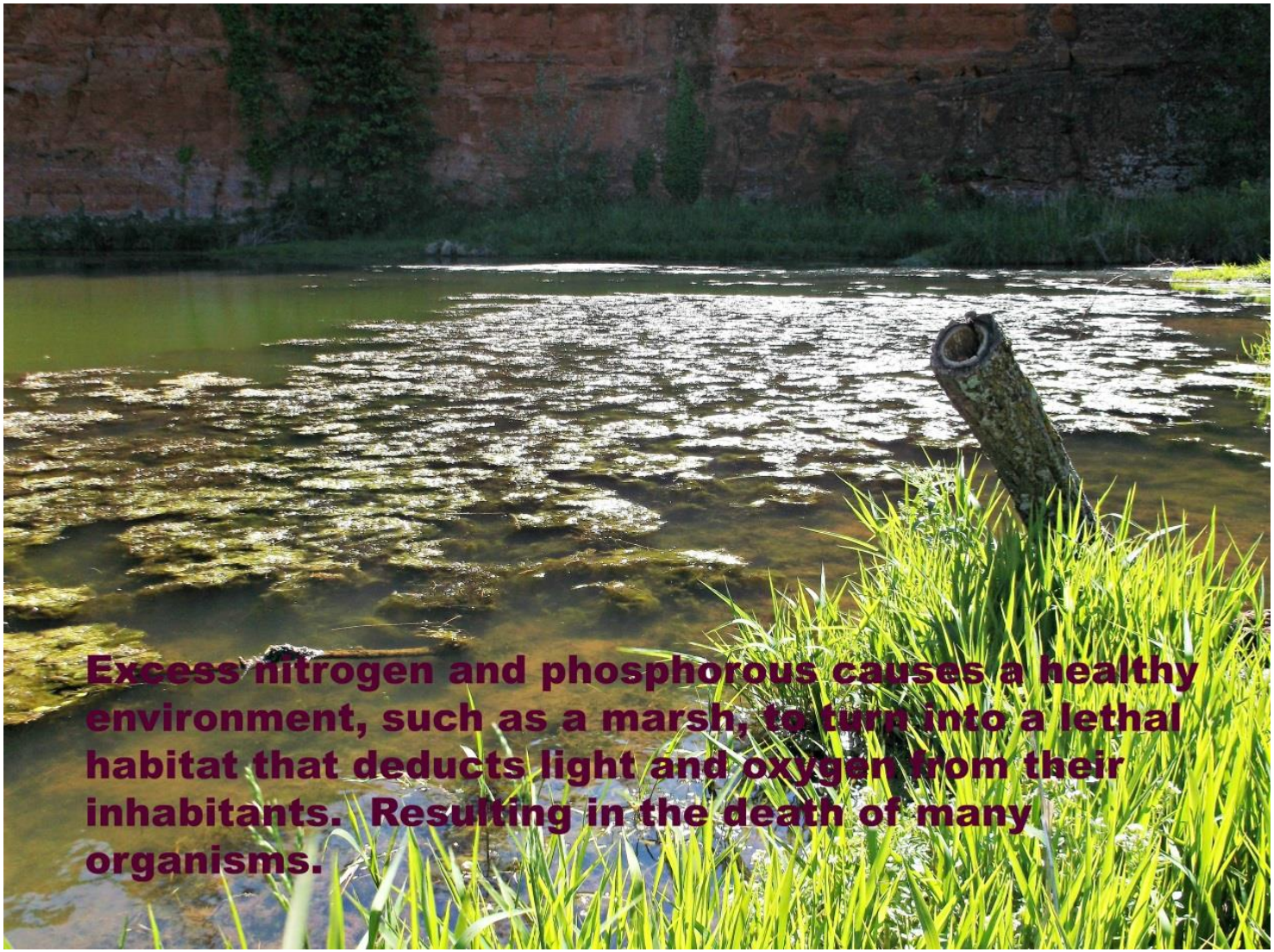
High School (9-12th Grade)

Terrell Johnson

10th Grade

Riverside Indian School

"Excess nitrogen and phosphorous causes a healthy environment, such as a marsh, to turn into a lethal habitat that deducts light and oxygen from their inhabitants. Resulting in the death of many organisms."



J.A.

9th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"I love my mountains, my sky's, the white clouds. We share them with my People!"

Camyrn Kae Winters

10th Grade

Green Valley High School

“Nature retaining its essential rhythm.”

Catherine Ascencio

9th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"Lets use our love to protect our climate"

Farron Decora

9th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"Let's keep track of the color of our clouds to determine our climate change"

Ivan Miguel

10th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"Only the strong survive against all climate change factors."

Jessica Antone

12th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"Climate Change is depleting and destroying our future crops and food supply for out nation!"

Macy Miguel

9th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"Lets preserve every drop of water we can

because climate change will change the water color and taste!"

Raymond Mattia

9th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"Climate Change has required us to alter our way of life and creating us to be blind to the world!"

Rodrick Manuel

11th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"I suspect man will just turn into another object of material in this world of climate change."

Brittany Mattia

9th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"This is my depiction of my world, I send a message to the world to defend all evils of Climate Change!"

Nida Baptisto

10th Grade

Tohono O'odham High School

"Climate Change is *redefining* our lands, our air and our communities!"

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"We can longer protect or cover our lands from global warming, our sun is awaking us to the changes!"

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"Let the sun shine upon us and wake up to the challenges of Climate Change so that our future seeds of growth can continue to spread!"

Yessina Baptisto
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"I only have my religion to hope for a better climate in this world."

Yessenia Baptisto

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"Our future generations are at stake if we allow climate change to overrun us!"

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"Flooding and pollution of our waters is a result of climate change!"

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"Our desert is a beautiful place, but I am already seeing the effects of climate change!"

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"We must have faith and determination in persuading others to protect our environment."

Tara Fernandez

10th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“Climate change will change our lives because the Caribou may start getting extinct or migrate away from our village.”

Sylvia Nayokpuk

11th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“Lost in Snow”

Tammy Iyatunguk

12th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“We lost most of our land, it used to be another mile where the ocean is now.”

Denise Fernandez

12th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“Climate change will have a huge affect on basketball from our island eroding. Some even used ball as a way to forget about the bad things going on in their life. To a few individuals, basketball is life.”

Esau Weyiousanna

10th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“Basketball is one of the main sports here in Shishmaref, with the island eroding this court can be gone in the next how many years because of climate change.”

Jeff Tokeinna

10th Grade

Shishmaref High School

"You see how **clear** this window is? That's how **life** is when the story is just beginning."

Kirstyn Davis

10th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“On the lagoon we go Ice Fishing. And in the tundra we go hunting.”

Nellie Eningowuk

11th Grade

Shishmaref High School

"The amount of wild berries gathered from the tundra in Alaska has changed because of the climate change."

Nicole Nayokpuk

11th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“I picked this photo because I love to go hunting”

Richard Tokeinna

10th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“Here is where are the ballers go to play some. If the land erodes, we won’t have this basketball court anymore which it really matters to us. And the park will soon erode too.”

Sarah Ningeulook

10th Grade

Shishmaref High School

“The play ground. Soon this play ground will erode.”