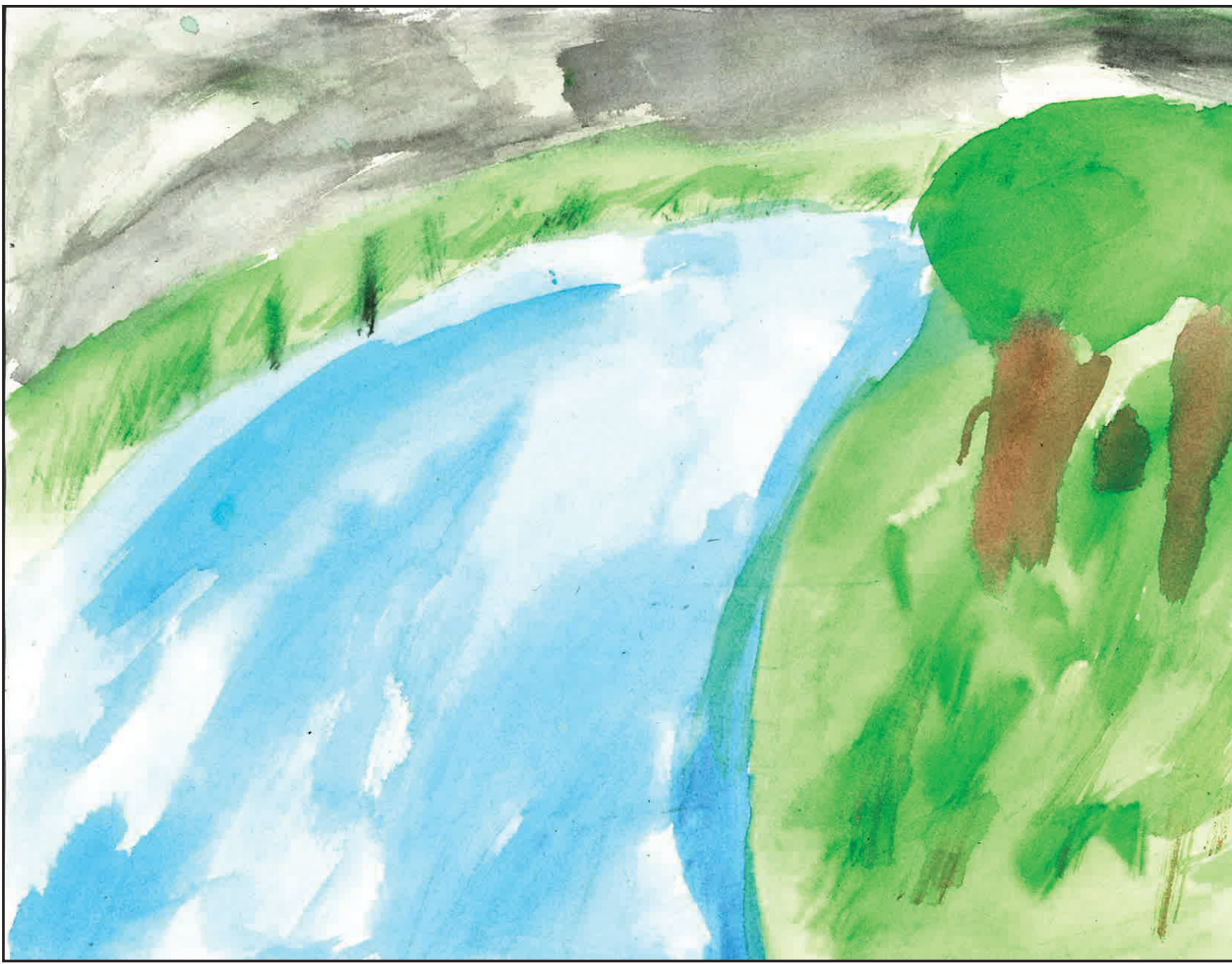


# A RIVER OF POEMS



ALEX JORGENSEN/VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Swan Has Seen This Before

**Adalyn Akin**  
VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Padding along the rocky shore  
Puffy clouds reflected my figure  
The reeds, almost as tall as me, cast a misty glow  
The ducks, swans, and geese find comfort within them  
I would love to experience this for the first time again

## Lodi Lake

**Hope Murphy-Berdahl**  
VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Sitting in a red and blue kayak  
With the sun shining on the river  
Small islands surround us as we pass  
Groups of ducks swim near us in huddles  
Looking back it was a wonderful day

## Lodi Lake

**David Rabara**  
VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Floating down currents of the river  
Sky slightly cloudy, sun peeking through, warm as ever  
Breeze flowing, making perfect weather,  
Leaves blowing by,  
Geese flying, ducks floating, fish swimming,  
The feeling makes me crave this ...

## The Riverside

**Alex Jorgensen**  
VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Sitting in a kayak on the calm lake  
Clouds fluffy as cotton candy fill the sky  
Trees and bushes sway along the riverside  
Geese are paddling through the water  
I would love to live this experience many more times

## Lodi Lake

**Courtney King**  
VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Gazing at the water  
Cold water splashing on my face  
Wind blowing through the light green leaves  
Ducks and swans swimming gracefully  
I would go to live in this wonderful moment once again

## Lodi Lake

**Jayden Basel**  
VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Sitting In The Kayak with a friend to join me  
The fish are splashing in the water  
The Kayak moving Gently  
Calming waters all around  
Fluffy Beautiful clouds all around me  
Butterflies flying around plants  
The water looked calming and relaxing  
I would love to come back to this wonderful place



ASHLEY GALLETTI/VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



HALEY DOCKERY/VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Lodi Lake

**Darine Hassan**  
VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Floating in a kayak relaxed, unbothered  
The sun is shining against the water  
Bushes and trees swaying along with the winds (swish, swoosh)  
Ducks paddling their feet making a destination  
I'd go to this place again whenever I have the chance.

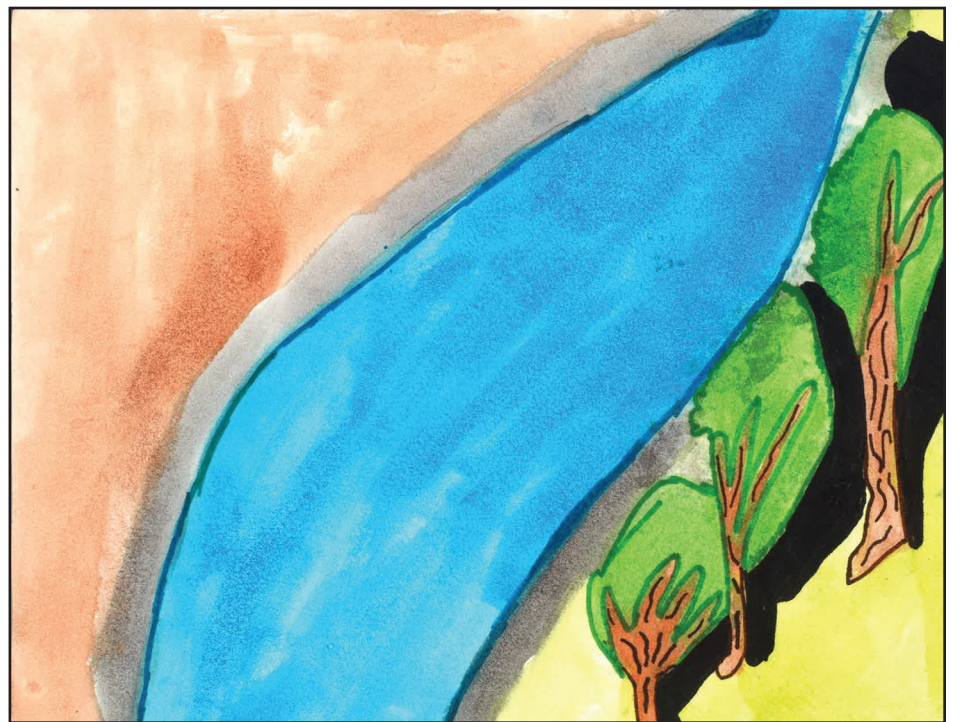


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## In a Dream

**Emma Shinn**  
VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The river flowing like the soft breeze in the air  
Warm summer air drifting my kayak slowly  
The lily pads covered with ladybugs  
I can see the blue sky's reflection on the water  
What a beautiful sight ...



NATE ANDRIS/VINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Keep the Mokelumne River clean

**Leann Ibrahim**  
ERMA B. REESE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Have you ever walked at Lodi Lake, and seen the long river, but not known what it's called and any information on it?

Well, this is the Mokelumne River. This river starts from the Sierra Nevada, then flows into the Central Valley, and ends at the San Joaquin River Delta. All of this

combined is 95 miles!

In addition, the river is about 15 to 40 feet deep. Also, this river was known for the Gold Rush.

This river is beautiful on the outside, but some things we are doing are not OK for it, or for the animals that rely on the river.

As we know, littering and throwing trash on the floor is common, and it goes to the oceans, lakes, rivers, etc. This is not okay, because living organisms

might be living in the river and us putting trash in it is ruining it and can kill it. If something happens to an animal that is important to a food chain, the whole food chain could die!

Also, our water is being polluted, and how will we have clean drinking water in the future if it's all dirty? If this happens too much, we might not survive in the future!

Let's save the rivers and make them clean again!

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