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Story.Earth Website Launches

April 9, 2025 — A beautiful new website, **Story.Earth**, brings Earth system science alive through stunning visualizations, interactive tools, and media-rich classroom resources—all free to educators.

“Story.Earth is gorgeous, dynamic, and captivating! It inspires both my students and me to explore, investigate, and immerse ourselves in a deeper understanding of Earth systems and our undeniable connection to them,” said Kelly Mackura, a middle school teacher who piloted the curriculum.

Designed for grades 4–8 and beyond, Story.Earth cultivates systems thinking, futures thinking, and ecological literacy. By engaging with maps and globes, students learn core scientific concepts and develop inquiry and analysis skills that are vital for their future roles as informed citizens and planetary stewards.

Why It Matters

Story.Earth equips learners with the critical thinking skills they need to address complex global challenges. Learning activities model the practices of real scientists—asking questions, analyzing data, and constructing explanations—while making interdisciplinary connections across science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM).

Key features include:

- 180 Earth system visualizations
- 36 short videos of real-world phenomena
- 4 interactive digital maps and globes to grow spatial literacy
- 12 standards-aligned lessons
- 6 Data Talks to build data literacy
- 7 visual models and frameworks for systems thinking

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Who It Serves

Story.Earth serves a broad audience, including:

- Teachers and students (grades 4–8 and above)
- Informal STEM educators and home learners
- Nonprofit organizations and science centers

Co-designed with input from educators, students, and Earth system scientists, Story.Earth ensures that all learners have access to high-quality, multimedia resources that prepare them for a world in change.

Partners and Supporters

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Explore Story.Earth: <https://story.earth>

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