Students at McCarver Elementary’s after school program sponsored by Rainier Community Center are soaring in the following poems and their artwork as they tell us a little bit about themselves and their lives. The project was led by a team from Rainier Community Center. More poems and art are on display at the Tacoma Children's Art Museum in the cafe area.

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**I AM FROM**

**I am from the memory walk, from poodles and couches, from the dog in my room, the memories and emotions of my memory house and bacon-filled air.**

**I am from the little tree that keeps my cat there. I am from wakawawa, the Super Bowl and running fun, from cats and Grandma and my dogs. I am from heart attack and strokes and from my little kitten Tucker. I am from red, from starting fights, and finishing them and **Darth**. I am from going to the park. I am from Skousen, Washington, and Cuba, frequent and fun. I am from crazy names, mice and animals, and pictures under my TV and in my house.**

- **Makala, 5th grade**

**I am from a house with a dog. I am from my bedroom and my dog. I am from winning the Super Bowl and running fun, from cats and Grandma and my dogs. I am from heart attack and strokes and from my little kitten Tucker. I am from red, from starting fights, and finishing them and **Darth**. I am from going to the park. I am from Skousen, Washington, and Cuba, frequent and fun. I am from crazy names, mice and animals, and pictures under my TV and in my house.**

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**Reflections of Our Tacoma Youth: Believe, Dream, Inspire.**

**A Caterpillar’s Dream: “The caterpillar believes and dreams he can become a butterfly. The butterfly has an impressive caterpillar.”**

- **Mishelis McKeen, 5th grade, Great Center for the Expressive Arts**

**Dancing in the Sky: “Painted dancing in the city because it is beautiful and encouraging to me.”**

- **Maddie Dun, 1st grade, Downing Elementary**

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