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Dear families,

Calling all curious minds, budding inventors, and future researchers – this is your chance to shine. I am delighted to introduce exciting science experiences tailored for our budding young researchers.

Future Engineers® proudly presents the "[Future Creatures](#)" challenge. In this competition, students are tasked with selecting a vertebrate animal residing in a tropical rainforest and envisioning how it might evolve in response to the long-term impacts of climate change. This opportunity not only encourages families to come together for research but also invites them to submit their findings. The deadline for online submission for this competition is **February 9th**.

Another remarkable opportunity awaits through [PlantCarton Life](#). In this experience, students can select one of the engaging [Nature Activities](#) available on the website and complete it. Both students and their families are encouraged to document their experiences through written accounts, photographs and create a poster display. Projects will be due April 3rd.

Engaging in these activities not only provides an excellent opportunity for your child to actively participate in a scientific inquiry under guidance but also cultivates essential skills, laying the groundwork for their future involvement in scientific research. All projects will be showcased and celebrated at the Eastport-South Manor Inaugural K-12 Science Symposium in April. More information to follow.

Kindly take a moment to complete the [Google Form](#) expressing your child's intent to participate by **Friday January 19th**. We appreciate your commitment to advancing scientific knowledge and look forward to your active involvement in this exciting symposium.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "J. Mintz", is written over a light blue, textured background that resembles a piece of paper or a card.

Dr. Jessica Mintz

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