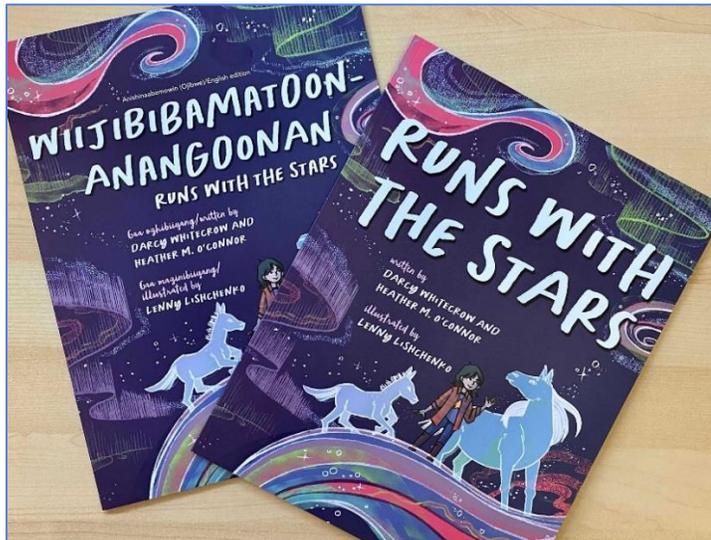


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I love doing live and virtual school and library visits. My *Runs with the Stars* presentations have curriculum connections to science and social studies. Ideal for JK to Grade 4.

"Elders say they were always here. The horses were small, but strong."

"Like me?"

"Like you."

As they await the birth of a new foal, a man teaches his grandchild about the Ojibwe Horses that used to roam the forests of Northwestern Ontario. The horses once ran wild and free, but when Grandfather was a boy, they almost disappeared. Now he is the caretaker of his own small herd, keeping the breed alive for future generations and teaching his grandchild about the loving bond between humans and animals.

Based on the true story of the once almost-extinct Ojibwe Horse, this story of conservation and care highlights the importance of stewardship and the invaluable efforts of Indigenous people to preserve this beautiful breed.

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