

# K-GRAMS

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## Falling into Fun

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### Bringing Kids to Campus Get Ready for K-day!



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On **Friday, October 19**, the fifth grade students of Ford Elementary, in the Willow Run School District, will be visiting the University of Michigan for a their very own campus day! The kids will have a chance to see the Big House and walk through campus. But that's not all; these kids will also eat lunch in Markley's cafeteria and tour Mosher Jordan. The day will be filled with smiles and surprises for everyone.

K-day is designed to give kids a glimpse into college life. Most of these kids have never set foot on a college campus before, and they love seeing how college students live (and who can beat all those free cookies in the Markley cafeteria?). This year a scavenger hunt has been added to the agenda to help the kids learn even more about the different parts of campus. So come join in the fun, by **signing up online**. Remember you do not have to live in Markley or MoJo if you want to participate. This year's K-day promises to be bigger and better than ever!



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### Halloween at Alice Lloyd

Come celebrate Halloween with the people that it was made for -the KIDS! On **Sunday, October 28th** from 12-2 pm, the kids of Vetal Elementary in Detroit will come to campus for their own Halloween party at Alice Lloyd. This event is co-sponsored by K-grams and a Lloyd Hall Scholars class. There will be games, face painting, and treats for everyone. So wear your costume and come meet one of our favorite K-grams elementary school teachers, Mr. Davis. Email [smile@umich.edu](mailto:smile@umich.edu) if you would like to help, and remember you do not have to be an Alice Lloyd pen pal to join in on the fun!

**2ND LETTER  
DUE DATE:  
OCTOBER  
22, 8PM!**

# **SPECIAL DELIVERY:**

## **THE FIRST LETTER DELIVERY OF THE YEAR**

You could charge an entire University of Michigan stadium full of football fans on game day with the enthusiasm in their voices. As K-grams walked into classrooms across Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, and Detroit, the students bubbled over with excitement at the site of the packages and letters that were about to be delivered. A hush fell over the classroom, and then whispers could be heard among the students, "Are those letters from K-grams?" They ran up and gave hugs to their college K-grams friends, even commenting how some of them looked like Harry Potter. One little girl said she had been waiting an entire year for a letter and was so excited the day had finally come. A pencil as tall as an elementary child, a mini aquarium, and a large mailbox were just some of the themes for the delivery boxes created by the Swing Kids. At the end of the deliveries it was hard for everyone to say goodbye. Don't miss out on the excitement! Join your Hall Heads for their next Letter Pick-Up on **Friday, October 12**, or Drop-Off on **Friday, October 26**.

*-Payal Patel, East Quad Hall Head*



## **Joke Corner**

Why shouldn't you play cards in the jungle?

There are too many cheetahs!

Why was the broom late for school?

It over swept!

What part of a fish weighs the most?

Its scales!

Visit our online guestbook and tell us your jokes!

# **BookMARK**

## **Times are Here!!**

**Sign up online today for Mentoring  
And Reading with Kids**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9:00-12:00</b>	4th grade class @ Vetal
	<b>2:30 -3:30</b>	1st grade class @ Northside
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00-12:00</b>	4th grade class @ Vetal
	<b>7:00-10:00</b>	4th grade class @ Vetal
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>1:00-2:00</b>	Kindergarden class @ Dicken
	<b>2:15-3:15</b>	5th grade class @ Dicken
	<b>2:30-3:30</b>	3rd-5th grade class @ Mitchell
	<b>9:45-11:15</b>	1st grade class @ Holmes
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>2:00-3:00</b>	Kindergarden class @ Bryant
	<b>7:00-10:00</b>	4th grade class @ Vetal
<b>Friday</b>	<b>12:45-2:15</b>	3rd/4th grade class @ Mitchell

**All times DO include travel time.  
Transportation is provided.**

# **Stars and Stripes:**

## **The First Project of the Year**

Even kids are showing their patriotism! On Thursday, October 4, we had a project with Mr. Davis' 4th grade class at Vetal Elementary school in Detroit. We made red, white, and blue ribbons and decorated cookies with red, white, and blue frosting and sprinkles. The kids had a great time! We could really tell how much it meant to them to have us take time out of our college life to go visit with them for an hour. The students were so cute that everyone should find time in his/her schedule to go to projects! It's amazing to see how much something so small to us can bring such excitement to these kids. Stay tuned for further projects!

*-Sarah Politzer, Alice Lloyd Hall Head*

# Puzzle Mania - Win a FREE T-SHIRT!!

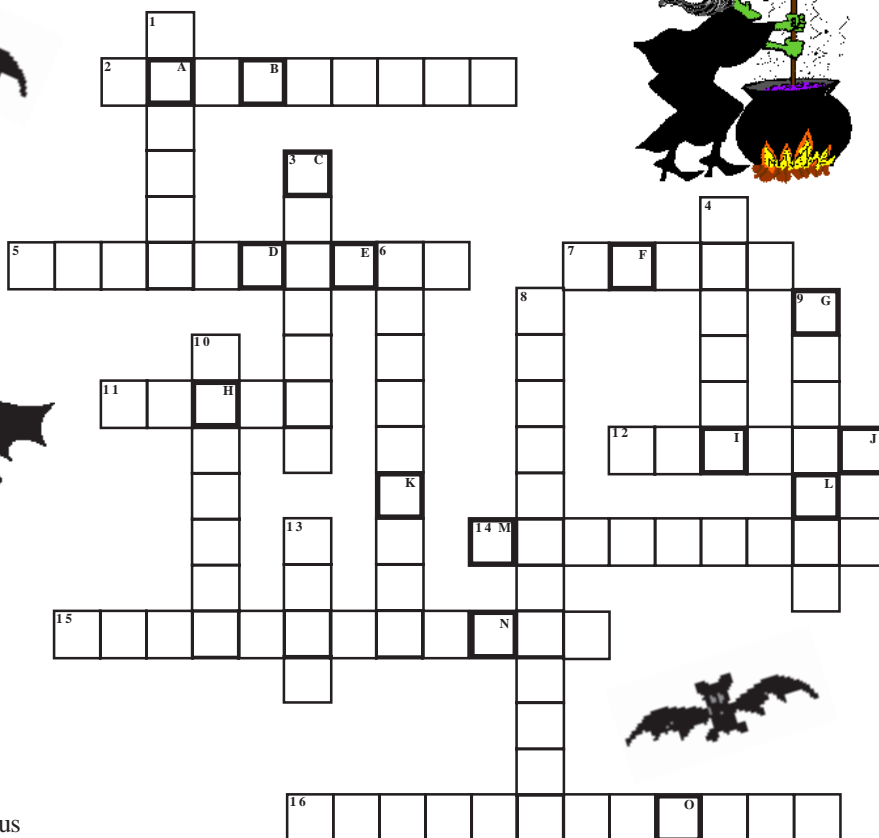
Use the K-grams website to complete the crossword puzzle and answer the question below. Be the first to email [smile@umich.edu](mailto:smile@umich.edu) with the correct answer and win a T-shirt!

## Across

2. The Project Head for Markley, Sara \_\_\_\_\_
5. The day K-grams takes over the Diag (Oct. 10)
7. Our only Elementary school in Detroit
11. You can reach us at \_\_\_\_\_@umich.edu
12. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ is our 5th grade BookMARK teacher.
14. The theme of the Alice Lloyd/Vetal party
15. K-grams is short for \_\_\_\_\_
16. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a chance for student groups to host projects in Elem. classrooms

## Down

1. The school matched with Stockwell
3. The student group matched with Holmes
4. One of our favorite online Java games (yes, you CAN play games on our website too!)
6. The "MARK" in BookMARK stands for \_\_\_\_\_ And Reading with Kids
8. Box Tops for Education come from this brand of cereal
9. The location of Kids-Fair 2002 (March 22!!)
10. "Hail to the \_\_\_\_\_!"
13. K-day brings kids from this Elementary school to campus



Match up the letters in the puzzle to answer the question: What was the "Swing Kid" role almost called?

C J N A L F O H I G M E K D B

**HINT:** This person keeps things under control, but is also fun to be around.

## A Plethora of Projects

### Building Community in the Classroom

Friday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> 2:00-3:00 @ Ford  
Learn to build the community and be a good citizen.  
Email contact: [kbindsch@umich.edu](mailto:kbindsch@umich.edu)

### Pumpkins!

Friday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> @ Bryant  
Make math fun! Estimate the weight and number of seeds in pumpkins before carving them.  
Email contact: [kmelkote@umich.edu](mailto:kmelkote@umich.edu)

### To Infinity and Beyond!

Friday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> at 2pm @ Dicken  
Learn about space with K-grams!  
Email contact: [nyodkovi@umich.edu](mailto:nyodkovi@umich.edu)

### Brain and Multiple Intelligence

Friday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> 9:30-11:30 @ Mitchell  
Explore the 7 types of intelligence through an interactive activity and construct a model of the brain.  
Email contact: [patelpk@umich.edu](mailto:patelpk@umich.edu)

Check out the calendar online for the most up to date listing of projects.

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;">  <h1 style="margin: 0;">October</h1>  </div>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Football @ Penn State
7	8	9	10 Festigrams Diag 11-3 pm	11	12 Letter Pick-Up @ Elementary Schools	13 Football vs. Purdue
14	15	16	17	18	19 K-Day! Projects @ Dicken, Ford	20
21	22 2nd Letter Due! 8pm Rez Library	23	24	25	26 Letter Drop-Off, Projects @ Bryant, Mitchell	27 Football @ Iowa
28 Halloween Party @ Alice Lloyd 12-2 pm	29	30	31			

Check out the online calendar for updated events!

## Help Out in a Big Way With Box Tops



Want a simple way to earn cash for your K-grams' school? Collect Box Tops! Each Box Top you save is good for 10 cents worth of school supplies. Look for Box Tops on General Mills Cereals, Yoplait Yogurt, and all Betty Crocker Products. Start saving today!

Examples of Participating Brands:

- \*Cheerios
- \*Lucky Charms
- \*Fruit Roll-Ups
- \*Betty Crocker  
Brownie Mix

Reading, Writing, Swingin', Smilin'!



Campus Mail