

K-GRAMS

Thanks Gram

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K-grams Gives Thanks

I am thankful for the dedication of the members of K-grams to the program for putting smiles on every elementary student's face.

-Ashley Scott, Letter Director

I am thankful for the coolest kids and for the great directors this program has.

-Rachel Goldsmith, Photo-Chick

I am thankful for all the amazing pen pals at Carpenter Elementary and Markley!

-Lauren Jacobson, Markley Letter Head

I am thankful for the SPC members because they are so much fun and have made my first experience with K-grams excellent!

-Lynne Gratz, Student Group Liaison



I'm grateful for the enthusiastic, dedicated, and genuine people that make up K-grams. This program teaches and inspires me every day!

-Ani Shehigian, Executive Director

I'm thankful for the excited looks on kids' faces when we come to see them, the high fives, and the hugs! Go K-grams!

-Matt Kish, Associate Director - Internal

I am thankful for all the new friends I have met and the fun I have had.

-Kristen Hewell, PR Chair

I am thankful for K-grams because it is an excellent way for me to be involved in a good cause, even with a hectic schedule. It is easy for anybody, no matter how busy!

-Cheryl Cheok, Student Group Liaison

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Do we have to go home
yet!?

Sign the K-grams guestbook and tell us:

**your "K-grams thanks" and a funny joke
before the end of November and
you could win a free t-shirt!!**

**3RD LETTER
DUE DATE:
NOVEMBER
19, 8PM!!**

It is never too late to sign up for BookMARK!

The kids want to see you, and you will not want to leave!

A new BookMARK session has been added starting
Tuesday November 6th, from 1-2 pm.

Look at all the fun you can have with the kids....

*Mr. Monash's class frosted Halloween cookies with their buddies. It was fun all around with candy, frosting, juice, and all sorts of yummys.

*In Hagan/Church's session buddies have been going around the world together learning about all different countries starting with North America and going East.

*At Northside Mrs. McGarty's class has begun counting with money and reading together.

"This is so wonderful and great for the kids to get one-on-one attention from someone a little older who's not like a parent."

-Mr. Monash, a BookMARK teacher

The kids really do appreciate all you do for them, so sign up online today at www.umich.edu/~smile and make a kid smile!

-Kelly Wells, BookMARK Co-Chair



Joke Corner

Why do pilgrims' pants keep falling down?

Because their belt buckles are on their hats!

How do youw squeeze 100 Pikachu onto a bus?

Pokemom!

What do you call a flying skunk?

A smell-a-copter!

Visit our online guestbook and tell us your jokes!

The Kids Give Thanks

Ford students give K-Day thanks

Dear K-grams

Thank you for treating us to lunch at Mary Marky Hall the food was Great! we also thank you for letting us See the borm rooms, the K-grams office, Angel Hall, Mosher Jordan Hall, and the Presiident house. I thank you for letting me see the Big house and letting us get footballs for our classrooms. You guys made me smile real big. I have to go do homework bye.

Sincerely,
Panign C.



Dear K-Grams,

Thank you for everthing. Thank you for having everything plannes and making this field trip the best field trip of all times. Thank you for picking my school to do K-Grams and picking my class to go on the fieldtrip. It was very fun to have an older penpal and being able to eat lunch with them, have as much food as we want and see what are pen pals dorms look like, and being able to see all of the different build-ings.

From
Crystal H.



The K-grams Kids-Fair Adds A New Twist for 2002!

Get ready for Kids-Fair 2002: "Smilin' Around the World." Student groups participating in Kids-Fair 2002 plan "edu-active" (educational and interactive) booth activities that incorporate the international theme. This is a wonderful opportunity for your group to do something fun and exciting with 1,000 elementary school kids.

If your group missed the first deadline, you still have one more chance to get involved. Be sure to sign up by **December 14th** to secure your booth at Kids-Fair! Sign up online at www.umich.edu/~smile. Questions? kidsfair@umich.edu
-Channelle Kizy, Associate Director - Kids-Fair



Passport to Kids-Fair

To go along with the Kids-Fair 2002 international theme, (Smilin' Around the World) we are preparing a special passport to give to your pen pal at Kids-Fair. The passport will include a picture of you!

Here's what you need to know:

What: A picture of you no larger than 4x6
(no pictures from webcams, please)
Identify who you are if there are more people in it
It must be of good taste (use your best judgement!)
On the back of the picture include:
Your first name and last initial,
Uof M address,
Pen Pal's name,
and his/her teacher and school.

Where: Turn in your picture to your Residence Hall Library letter drop box

When: No later than **Monday, December 3rd**

Why: Kids love receiving pictures of their pen pals!

If you are going home for Thanksgiving, it's a great time to grab a picture of yourself!

Questions? email smile@umich.edu

-Erin Krumrei, Communications Director

Do you have
yours yet?



Congratulations **Rosalva Osorio** for being last month's t-shirt winner!

Visit www.umich.edu/~smile and click on the t-shirt to see how you can get your very own!

PROJECTS!

COME JOIN IN THE FUN!

Fall Festival

Dicken Elementary

Friday, Nov. 16th from 1:45 to 3:15

Email contact: Naomi - nyodkovi@umich.edu

Key Chains

Pittsfield Elementary

Friday, Nov. 16th from 2:30 - 3:30

Email contact: Marisha - msunday@umich.edu

Around the World

Create different flags from around the world.

Bryant Elementary

Monday, Nov. 19th from 12:00 to 1:30



Email contact: Katya - kmelkote@umich.edu

Turkey Decorations!

Northside Elementary

Monday, Nov. 19th from 12:45 to 2:30

Email contact: Cathie - chawke@umich.edu

 November 						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Projects @ Northside & Vetal	3 Football @ Michigan State
4	5	6	7	8	9 Letter Pick up at Elementary Schools	10 Football vs. Minnesota
11	12	13	14	15	16 Projects @ Dicken & Pittsfield	17 Football @ Wisconsin
18	19 3rd Letter Due! Projects @ Bryant & Northside	20	21	22 Thanksgiving	23	24 Football vs. Ohio State
25	26 Letter Drop off at Elementary Schools	27	28	29	30	

Check out the online calendar for updated events!

Do we have to go home?!?

On October 31, we had our first project of the year at Carpenter Elementary! K-grams joined Mrs. DeVee's and Ms. Barnett's classes for their annual fall party, which was a huge success! We made bookmarks, played games, and even had cupcake eating contests! It was a great way to spend the afternoon, and everyone had a lot of fun! Most of us ended up staying longer than expected. The kids were very excited to meet their pen pals and they can not wait for us to come back! Watch out for future projects at Carpenter -more are coming very soon.

-Sara Greenwood,
Markley Project Head



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