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A New Semester of Smiles

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Be a Buddy at Kids-Fair!



Buddy shifts! 9:45am - 10:40am 10:40am-11:20am 11:20am-11:50am 11:50am-12:30pm Calling all Kids-Fair Buddies! On **Friday, March 22nd**, elementary school pen pals and college students will fill Crisler Arena to celebrate our year. Explore Kids-Fair's educational and interactive activities with your pen pal! The commitment is simple, yet extremely fulfilling for everyone. Even though you are already a pen pal, you still need to sign up to be a Buddy online.

We know that not every pen pal can make it to the Fair for the entire time. For pen pals that cannot make it the entire time, we would like you to find a friend (or more!) for the shifts that you cannot attend. Hopefully your pen pal will then be with someone who is familiar to you.

Do you have a friend or roommate who is not a pen pal, but would like to get involved in K-grams? Tell them to be a Buddy, because <u>every-buddy</u> is encouraged to be a Buddy. See you at Kids-Fair!!

Sign-up online at www.umich.edu/~smile

Student Group Kids-Fair
Sign Up
Deadline: Fri., Feb. 8th

Passport Pictures

Have you turned yours in yet?

If you haven't already turned in a picture of yourself to your Residence Hall library, please do so ASAP. Your picture is an integral part of a passport that your pen pal will receive at Kids-Fair. Don't forget to list the following items on the back of you picture (no larger than 4x6 please).....

- Your first name and last initial
- Your Residence Hall address
- © Your pen pal's name and teacher

If you have questions, please contact your Swing Kid or email **smile@umich.edu**.



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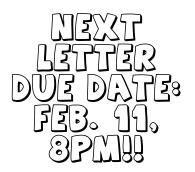
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Kredit for K-grams

In recent years community service and classroom credit have begun to merge. Universities are realizing that not only does community service provide a wonderful experience for students, but that students also learn an incredible amount from their experience. Professor Joyce Meier's English 124 class is doing just that. This semester her class is going to be involved in BookMARK at an elementary school in Ypsilanti. Professor Meier is only one of the many professors who are beginning to get more involved in community service within the classroom. These students have the wonderful opportunity to gain credit for community service. Kgrams is very enthusiastic to have an English 124 class involved in BookMARK this semester and hopes that these students enjoy K-grams as much as all of us! For more information on classes like this email Professor Meier at meierjzz@umich.edu.

~ Laura V'Dovick, PR Team



Joke Corner

What did the hypnotist say to the policeman?

What word in the dictionary is spelled incorrectly?

What did one toilet say to another toilet? paysny 11q e 2001 nox

Visit our online guestbook and tell us your jokes!



New BookMARK Times!

We know you have been waiting for new BookMARK sessions. So without further ado....

Monday 2:00-3:30 1st grade

Wednesday 2:15-3:15 5th grade

2:30-3:30 Special Ed

Thursday 2:00-3:00 Kindergarten

Friday 12:45-2:15 3rd/4th grade

More times to be posted soon, so check out the website for up-to-date times.



DED YOU KNOWS

K-grams' random website facts

- The website had over 20,000 hits last year.
- ⇒ Play Pac Man, K-Paint and other fun games.
- ⇒⇒⇒Sign-up online sponsor a booth activity at Kids-Fair, be a Buddy at Kids-Fair, or participate in BookMARK sessions.
- ⇒⇒⇒ Peruse lots of cool K-grams pictures from Kids-Fair and projects.
- ⇒⇒⇒⇒Find out everything you ever wanted to know about K-grams, and more!
- ⇒⇒⇒⇒Forget your class, teacher, school, or swing kid? Just search for your name and you can get it all!
- ⇒⇒ Learn more about your pen pal's school.
- ⇒⇒Sign the guestbook and let everyone know how much you LOVE K-grams!
- ~Matthew Kish, Internal Director

It is never too late...



to get your own!

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

Word Search!!

Crisler smile
BookMARK SPC
buddy swing kid
liason Vetal
passports world
penpals

Unscramble the remaining letters to spell the word below.

Hint: Your favorite day in March

January Sunday Tuesday Friday Monday Wednesday Thursday Saturday 10 6 8 11 12 Classes Begin 15 16 17 13 18 3rd Letter Drop Letter Due! off at 8pm Rez Hall Elementary Libraries Schools 22 23 24 25 26 21 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day No Classes! 27 28 29 30 31

Check out the online calendar for updated events!

A Land of Their Own

Although Kids-Fair is still a few months away, the students of Mrs. Kitzmann's class at Bryant Elementary have been planning for the event since last semester. These first graders have been very busy creating their own country, complete with a government, food, language (written and spoken), and clothing. At our last project, we helped the kids brainstorm ideas for their nation. Some ideas included an invisible force field to keep the "bad guys" out and clothing that includes bright colors and patterns. We can't wait to see what they bring with them in March!

~Katya Melkote, Bryant Project Head



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