

YOU  
HAVE  
STORIES  
TO TELL  
AND THE WORLD  
NEEDS TO HEAR YOU

Reflect & Connect with  
Read And Write Kalamazoo

**Read and Write Kalamazoo** exists to  
celebrate and amplify youth voices  
through the cultivation of reading and writing skills  
via **joy, creativity, equity, and access.**

RAWK is devoted to nurturing intellectual and creative  
confidence in youth in Kalamazoo County through  
creative writing workshops, in-school and out-of-  
school time supports, community partnerships, and  
reading-themed events.

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**We want to hear you!**

**Read And Write Kalamazoo exists  
to celebrate and amplify YOUR voice.**

Your stories and experiences matter! We strive to find and create opportunities for our community to learn from you, and for you to learn from yourself.

This book is a space for you to reflect on your experiences over the past year and a half, to reach deep, feel some feelings, and process your thoughts. Reflecting and asking ourselves hard questions is how we grow!

**Then you can submit your writing to be printed in a book!** We'll publish your writing alongside other writers from Kalamazoo County so the community and the world can hear what you have to say.

We are so excited to  
put **your words** in  
our next book!

## **How to use this book**

Each page has a question to prompt your reflection. Try reading through the questions and see which ones you feel inspired to answer.

You can use each page to answer the question at the top, or you can choose a few questions to reflect on and use the whole book for more space to respond.

**When you're finished writing,  
we want to publish it (that means print  
your words in a book)!**

There are a few ways you can get us your writing:

1) Type your writing and email it to us at [submissions@readandwritekzoo.org](mailto:submissions@readandwritekzoo.org)

Be sure to include all of the information from the "Submission Info" page at the end of this book.

\*This is a great option because as you type you'll get a chance to edit and polish your writing!\*

2) Fill out the "Submission Info" page and then drop your book off at RAWK or in our mailbox. We'll return your book with your copy of the finished publication.

3) Take a clear picture of the writing you would like to submit and the completed "Submission Info" page and email it to us at [submissions@readandwritekzoo.org](mailto:submissions@readandwritekzoo.org)































































## **Submission Info**

Writer's Name (as it should appear in the book)

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School

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Age/Grade

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What page(s) of writing would you like to see published?

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## **Publication Authorization**

Writer's Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Email address or best way to contact guardian

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## **Delivery Options (for finished book)**

Deliver to  school - or -  home

Address for delivery

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You're on your way  
to becoming  
**a published author!**

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