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Lake Erie Ink provides creative expression opportunities and academic support to youth in the Greater Cleveland community.

ARE YOU READY TO GO BANANAS?

Dear friend,

You have the chance to support youth voice in our community by participating in Cleveland's only **GIANT Bananagrams Tournament**!

Lake Erie Ink: a writing space for youth is a non-profit organization that provides creative expression opportunities and academic support to youth in the Greater Cleveland community. Located in Cleveland Heights, Lake Erie Ink serves 3,500 youth annually from a broad socio-economic, cultural and academic range, using creative writing to increase literacy and life skills and to help youth find their voice.

On Saturday, March 14, 2020, Lake Erie Ink will bring this love of language and creative word play to its annual GIANT Bananagrams Tournament. Inspired by the fast-paced, Scrabble-like word game, Bananagrams brings together teams of up to 5 players to compete on a 30x30 ft. board in front of a large audience and narrated by a guest emcee. This event requires creative thinking and encourages teamwork and collaboration as groups scramble to be the first to turn their letters into words.

We invite you to be part of something special by contributing a prize at this year's event. Prizes will be awarded to winning teams and given out during a raffle, and donating organizations will be recognized at the event. (*To donate a prize for our winning teams, please send five individual items if you are able.*)

We hope that you are able to contribute, and we welcome your support at any level. Your contribution increases opportunities for youth from our community to engage in creative literacy programming.

Lake Erie Ink is a 501 (c)3 nonprofit organization; our EIN number is 45-2267855.

We hope that you are excited to GO BANANAS for Lake Erie Ink! You can learn more about Lake Erie Ink at lakeerieink.org.

Sincerely,

Amy Rosenbluth Executive Director

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