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Vestal Elks continue to support the literacy goals of third-graders across the Vestal Central School District with participation in The Dictionary Project

Third-graders in the Vestal Central School District will receive their very own dictionaries, along with a first-hand lesson in kindness as the Vestal Elks continue their participation in The Dictionary Project. Every year the Elks support third-grade students in the Vestal Central School District with their annual dictionary giveaway. Representatives from Elks Lodge 2508 will be handing out the dictionaries on Wednesday, November 7, 2018, at African Road, Clayton Avenue, Glenwood, Tioga Hills and Vestal Hills elementary schools.

Since 2004, Vestal Elks Lodge 2508 has donated over 4,200 dictionaries to third-graders in Vestal Schools! We are very grateful for their support of our students and appreciate this annual gift that provides a wonderful tool for enhancing their literacy skills. Having access to a dictionary helps students build their vocabulary, and having an extensive vocabulary is also a factor in academic success.

The Elks work in conjunction with The Dictionary Project, a nonprofit organization, to assist all students in completing the school year as good writers, active readers and creative thinkers. Thanks to civic organizations all over the country, such as Vestal Elks Lodge 2508, millions of children have received their very own dictionaries. According to The Dictionary Project website (www.dictionaryproject.org), educators see third grade as the dividing line between learning to read and reading to learn. This is why sponsoring organizations are encouraged to give the dictionaries to students in the third grade.

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Media are invited to the distribution of dictionaries to third-graders at Vestal Hills Elementary School by representatives of the Vestal Elks taking place at 9 a.m. on November 7.

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