

# Wild Kids



## We've Got *Ooooooooooooooooooahhh* Mail

By Nancy Jo Tubbs

We love getting letters from young people at the International Wolf Center. The wolves of fact and imagination dance across their pages. Here, in a few excerpts, is a peek inside the heads and hearts of our young public.



*My class is learning about wolves and we would like to help save the wolves. I admire wolves. I think they're cool because one wolf bites an elk's nose and the rest of the pack brings it down. I have a dog named Rex and he howls like a wolf.*

RACHAEL GOSHI • FAYETTEVILLE, NC



*I am a second grader at Our Lady of Lourds School. I know some facts to tell you. Wolves are mammals. They have live birth. Wolves have two leaders called alphas. Alphas don't let others have babies. But if the baby is in her stomach, it is too late! But if she sees that they are trying, the alphas will break it up! So please help them.*

HILARY JEAN MAGIERA • DAYTONA BEACH, FL



*Do wolves fight back to their enemies? How big do baby wolves get when they are born? I just hope that they will bring some wolves to Downers Grove.*

SHELLEY • DOWNER'S GROVE, IL

*Please do not kill the wolves. They are very cute. They may eat animals but they mean much to me. I love the sound when they howl but if you take it away I would be very sad and they are my favorite wild animal.*

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*We wild ones are now very few. You made the woods small, you have killed many*

*of us. But I still hunt. I feed our hidden pups. I wonder if the tame ones who live with you made a good choice. They have lost the spirit to live in the wild. They are many, but they are strange. We are few. I still watch you so I can avoid you. I do not think I know any more.*  
—Sincerely, Canis Lupis

HEATHER WILLIAMS • TOCCOA, GA ■

