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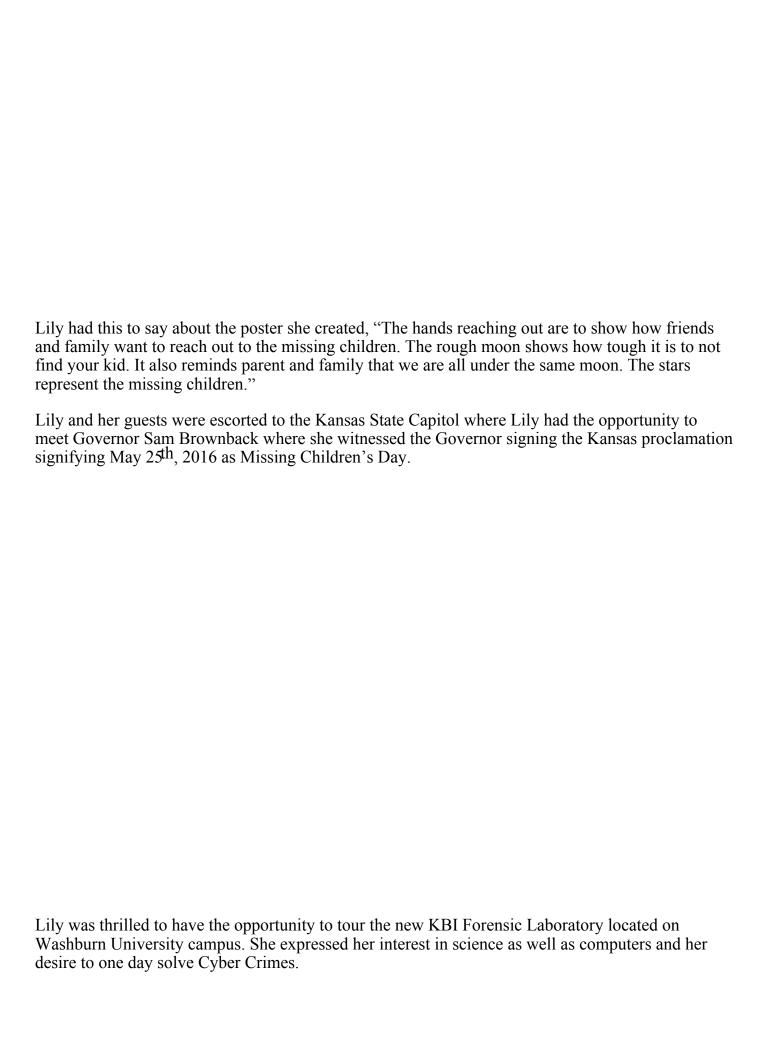
## Missing and Exploited Children's Program

Every year the Missing and Exploited Children's Program in conjunction with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) hold a poster contest for 5th graders across the United States and United States Territories. This contest brings awareness of children who are missing and provides the opportunity to educate the most vulnerable age group on staying safe. The poster contest is first held on the state level, with the local winning entry competing on the national level representing Kansas.

The Kansas Bureau of Investigation would like to announce the 2016 Kansas National Missing Children's Day Poster Contest winner as Lily Stivers from Hays, Kansas.

On April 11, 2016 Lily was invited to Topeka with *(pictured below back row L to R)*, her 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Amy Kelly of O'Loughlin Elementary School, her parents, Tom and Taylor Stivers, *(front row L to R with Lily in the middle)* her siblings, Drew and Julianna Stivers.

Upon arrival at the KBI Headquarters Lily was able to view her missing children poster submission framed for public view on the second floor, met Director Kirk Thompson and was given a tour of the facility.



Lily completed her day in Topeka by meeting Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt at his office.

## Lily's winning poster

In the fall of 2016, the KBI will deliver a notification to all school districts in Kansas encouraging 5 th graders to participate in this annual contest which brings attention to missing children, not only in Kansas but throughout the United States and Territories.

\*Please find the release and consent form signed by Tom Stivers.\*

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