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First Year Council Chair

TO: Members of the Student Representative Assembly FROM: Maxwell Huang, Chair of the First Year Council

SUBJECT: SRA 23I Report

DATE: 11/20/2023

Progress on Year plan

Since last time, we've held the year plan meeting, and have created a general vague plan and outline for the year. Some of our main advocacy initiatives are:

- Hosting a mental health week
- Extending ours for restaurants, especially for exams
- Give information about housing to first years

Past Events, Projects, & Activities

As of writing this, we've already hosted a couple of residence-specific events such as a game night at Whidden. More events for specific residences and for people living off-campus are still to come though.

Upcoming Events, Projects, & Activities

Some of our upcoming advocacy initiatives include:

- Hosting a mental health week
- Extending ours for restaurants, especially for exams
- Give information about housing to first years
- Social media campaign about nutrition to prepare first years for needing to cook and plan their own meals next year

As of Writing this, we also haven't hosted first year formal, but it will be held this Friday. As for other events, some that we're thinking of include:

- A gingerbread house building event
- Residence-wide table tennis tournament.

Outreach & Promotions

This week, the council is planning on recording our introduction post/reel, which will look something like the Icarly introduction skit. We've also been extensively promoting first year council with Instagram reels, talking about it in our classes, and handing out information cards about the event.

We're also planning on reaching out to rental businesses or housing services for our housing advocacy efforts.

Successes

We've hosted a couple of residence events and have definitely gotten the word out about first year formal. We've also developed a vague plan for the year.

Current Challenges

Although we've been relatively successful in the promotion of our events, we still haven't gotten even a fraction of the first years to be interested in some of our events. Part of this is because some first years are busy and aren't interested.

Volunteers

So far, many of the members of fyc have been immensely helpful in the promotion and planning of first year formal. Unfortunately, I have yet to participate in the filming of any reels, but I along with some other representatives are going to be helping out with the decorations for the event this Friday.

Other

I have the exact same question as last time, Is it possible to add a group of representatives who represent the interests of the international community?

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