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WESTERN HEADS EAST'S SCAVENGER HUNT / AMAZING RACE

When:

Scavenger Hunt – September/October

Amazing Race Date – Saturday November 1st, 2008

The Idea:

- To hold an “Amazing Race” across campus to help fundraise and increase awareness for the Western Heads East project.

How:

Each residence will promote the Amazing Race event through, promotional material provided by WHE and word of mouth, to increase interest about the idea. Students will be able to sign up in pairs with an individual on residence council, to take part in a preliminary scavenger hunt which will take place at their residence to determine the participants for the Amazing Race. Each participant in the pair will be required to pay a \$5 sign up fee to take part.

The VPPs along with their residence council will design the preliminary scavenger hunt for their residences, with the help of WHE guidelines.

The guidelines:

There will be 15 locations within each residence all carrying specific objects provided by WHE. Residence councils will make the riddles leading their participants towards the locations of the objects, and WHE will provide the riddles for the actual objects. Once the object is located, the participants write down an answer and a specific code on their scavenger hunt sheet, and move on to the next riddle.

This will continue until two pairs complete the scavenger hunt by solving all of the riddles. These two pairs will take part within the campus wide Amazing Race and will represent their residence.

In the period between the Residence Scavenger hunt and the campus wide Amazing race, residences will have an opportunity to further fundraise for the project, as well as increase enthusiasm about the final event. The amount fundraised by the respective residences will then be used to assess a time advantage within the Amazing Race, to a maximum of 15 minutes. The residence which raises the most funds will also be given a prize, even if they do not win the actual Amazing Race. With this in mind, WHE encourages residences to organize the Scavenger Hunt as early as possible to maximize the amount of time available for fundraising.

On the day of THE AMAZING RACE, all participants will be asked to meet at UC Hill for the Start.

- We ask that each pair have a residence council member along with them, for safety reasons.
- Residence Teams (4 people) will start the race according to the predetermined order as explained above.
- The pairs will be given an initial clue describing a location which they must find in order to do their first challenge, and this will continue until the completion of 16 stops.
- The 2 pairs from each residence are not required to work with each other (but can) during the race; however both must complete their own individual challenges in order to move on
- There will be pit stops along the way where teams may be eliminated.

The first team who reaches the final pit stop wins. They will be awarded a trophy for the residence, and the top 3 teams will be awarded other consolation prizes.

Notes:

On the day of the Amazing Race, Campus Police and SERT will be notified and will be helping out to ensure the safety of the event. We will have water bottles and snacks available for participants along the way.

EXAMPLES OF SCAVENGER HUNT RIDDLES:

Locations:

This room can hold dreams,
Adventures and more,
Recipes and history
Even Jordan's top score.
A lot of students don't know
Where this room lies
Until exams roll around--
Studying opens their eyes.
[Library/Study room]

Atkins and Jenny
May disapprove of your choice
But late night cravings
Will silence that health conscience voice.
This location will be evident
If you just follow your nose,
Better yet, let your tummy lead,
It will know where to go.
[Cafeteria]

There's more than one purpose
To this next room you'll find--
It's a study and bedroom,
But not the only one of its kind!
There are many of these rooms
But the one that you must seek,
Belongs to the Head
Of the leaders of O-Week.
[Head Soph's room]

3 Sample Objects:

It's a mini replica
The real one's larger by far.
This one's made of paper
And its roughly the height of a jar.
Although it houses no families,
In reality it often can.
It's not a natural structure
But a building made by man.
[Paper hut]

Distances are proportionate
Because scaling made it so.
I can spin on a fixed angle,
Round and round I go.
70 % of my surface
Is a continuous blue.
7 Large masses
Complete this worldly view.
[Globe]

This is used to spread awareness
About a 4 letter cause.
It's a major epidemic
Killing without pause.
Pin it to your shirt,
Or some form of attire.
Join supporters on a search,
A cure's what we wish to aspire.
[Red AIDS ribbon]