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Chapter 521: A Student's Narrative

"Dad, you can live comfortably at our university. Moreover, you can teach the art of Tenon-Mortise Craftsmanship to our students. We have a college dedicated to teaching classical education at our school."

In his dorm room, Liu Ping suggested to his father, Liu Yongzhi, to stay at the Mist City Arts and Science University.

"Okay, I'll listen to you."

Liu Yongzhi nodded.

He had been inside for eighteen years, slightly disconnected from the outside world. However, his son had grown up and was much more familiar with the outside world. Therefore, for crucial decisions like this, Liu Yongzhi chose to listen to Liu Ping's suggestions.

"I'm profoundly grateful to Principal Ding. You must study well in the future, do you understand?" Liu Yongzhi's gratitude was nearly visible on his face.

"Yes, I certainly will. After I graduate from college, I can work at Principal Ding's company, continue to contribute to Principal Ding, or I can remain at the school and contribute to the school's legal affairs."

Liu Ping had all figured out.

With his father Liu Yongzhi teaching the craft of Tenon-Mortise Craftsmanship at the Mist City Arts and Science University, he would focus on learning the law, striving to contribute to the Mist City Arts and Science University and Principal Ding's Feiyue Group in the future, as a way of returning the favor to Principal Ding.

That was Liu Ping's long-term plan. Additionally, Liu Ping had another plan, which was to write about his thoughts as the protagonist of this latest news event, letting the public know about his university - Mist City Arts and Science University, and how the Principal Ding Yue had helped him.

Consider it as Liu Ping's personal recount.

"Dad, get familiar with the surroundings first. I have something else to do." After Liu Ping finished speaking, he picked up his phone from a corner and started to work on a piece of writing.

In Principal Ding's office in the Administration Building.

Ding Yue met the journalism major students, Tian Jinliang, Wang Xiaoping, Chu Xiao, and Peng Hui.

Tian Jinliang and Chu Xiao were two male students. Tian was tall and sturdy while Chu looked pretty handsome.

Wang Xiaoping and Peng Hui were two female students.

Wang Xiaoping appeared very modest, while Peng Hui wore a pair of spectacles and seemed scholarly. However, Ding Yue felt Peng Hui was probably a straightforward girl.

"What did you learn from your trip to X County with Editor Lu?"

Ding Yue asked the four students with a smile.

"Principal Ding, thanks for this amazing opportunity given by the school. To be able to go with the NTS news team for investigation has been extremely exciting for me!"

Peng Hui raised her hand and happily responded.

As Ding Yue had suspected, from Peng Hui's enthusiasm and her cheerful tone, she was indeed a straightforward girl.

"It was an excellent opportunity, and the four of you are the top students in the major of Journalism and Media, so you were selected to go." Ding Yue explained simply.

"Principal Ding, this was the first time I had witnessed a professional reporter work up close. It was a huge learning experience for me. Moreover, I did more than just observing. I also participated in some of the research and investigation. I completed the tasks as well, and if I were to grade myself, I would give a pass!"

Tian Jinliang said humbly but was also pleased with his performance.

"Hmm, what about you, Chu Xiao?" Having heard from Tian Jinliang, Ding Yue directed his attention to Chu Xiao.

Although Chu Xiao looked outgoing, he was quite an introverted boy once he started speaking. However, as he was studying journalism, he purposefully made his voice sound louder: "Principal Ding, I've also learned a lot."

Chu Xiao didn't appear to be very assertive, but Lu Jianan had told him that Chu Xiao was very competent. Even if Chu Xiao was asked to prepare a news report alone, he could do it systematically. Such execution ability was among the best Lu Jianan had seen.

Ding Yue nodded in satisfaction: "Wang Xiaoping, how about you?"

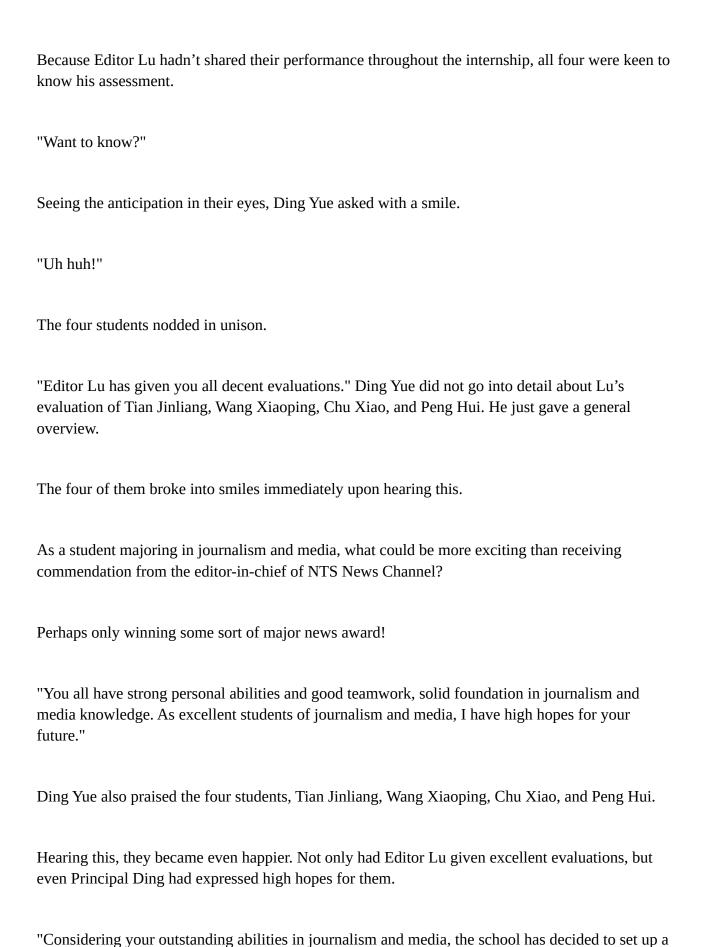
Only Wang Xiaoping hadn't spoken yet.

When Wang Xiaoping heard Principal Ding call her name, she raised her head and said modestly, "Principal Ding, I...I have gathered a lot of information on the professional reporting procedures of the NTS news team. Besides, I've also learned a lot of interviewing skills from sister Li."

The "sister Li" that Wang Xiaoping referred to must be Xiao Li, the reporter responsible for interviews from Lu Jianan's team.

Seeing that the four of them had gained a lot, Ding Yue said with a smile, "It seems that you've all benefited greatly from this internship. Actually, Editor Lu also talked to me about your performances."

As Ding Yue finished speaking, Tian Jinliang, Wang Xiaoping, Chu Xiao, and Peng Hui stretched their necks and widened their eyes, eagerly waiting for Principal Ding to reveal Editor Lu's assessment of them.



journalism department, and form a team with you as the initial members, to promote and develop our journalism activities at Mist City Arts and Science University. Meanwhile, this journalism

department will also serve as a paid media department of my company, Feiyue Group. What do you think, are you interested?"

Ding Yue finally shared his thoughts on the news agency with the four students, Tian Jinliang, Wang Xiaoping, Chu Xiao, and Peng Hui.

As long as they agreed, Feiyue News at Mist City Arts and Science University could officially start preparation.

What remained was the process of obtaining necessary qualifications. Editor Lu had also pointed out that obtaining relevant news broadcasting qualifications wouldn't be a big challenge as Mist City Arts and Science University offered a journalism and media major.

"Wow!"

Tian Jinliang couldn't help but exclaim in surprise when he heard the news.

"Principal Ding, I'm in!" Peng Hui exclaimed with joy.

Even the ordinarily reserved Chu Xiao, couldn't hide his excitement, and asked, "Principal Ding, do you mean you want us to form a news department?"

"That's right," Ding Yue nodded and answered.

"Isn't that wonderful? Principal Ding, is this your way of supporting our journalism and media major?" Wang Xiaoping asked, thrilled.

"I suppose so, but first, the school needs to apply for the relevant news qualifications. You should prepare well for when we receive the qualifications, after which you can start doing journalism. Additionally, press cards are crucial for interviews. So, you should attempt to achieve reporter credentials."

Ding Yue reminded the students: Tian Jinliang, Wang Xiaoping, Chu Xiao, Peng Hui.

"Understood, I will definitely strive to obtain my reporter's card!"

| "Me too!" |
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| The students responded with a solemn promise. |
| Seeing their full confidence, Ding Yue looked forward to their building up Feiyue News successfully. If not the leading news outlet in the country, at least it should make a name for itself in Mist City, right? |
| "Additionally, once the news department is set up, you can follow up with a report on Liu Ping's father. Editor Lu has agreed to assign the follow-up reporting task to you all," said Principal Ding to the four. |
| "Okay!" |
| "No problem!" |
| "Did Liu Ping agree to this?" |
| Observing a confused student, Ding Yue explained, "Liu Ping and his father have both agreed to this." |
| Ding Yue then gave the four of them a few more instructions. For example, if they felt understaffed, they could select a few capable students from their journalism and media classes. This news department setup was an opportunity for their development. As for how well they could do, it would depend on their talents. |
| If Tian Jinliang, Wang Xiaoping, Chu Xiao, and Peng Hui could do well, then Feiyue Group could have their own news department in the future, much like the Penguin Group's Penguin News. Although not an official news outlet, it still counts as an enterprise-level news organization. |

The four students, filled with confidence, finally left Principal Ding's office, getting ready for a new

Chapter upon their return.

After the four left, secretary Wen Ruohan, phone in hand, approached Ding Yue and said, "Principal Ding, Liu Ping posted a long article on Twitter, and it seems to be gaining a lot of attention."

While Principal Ding was talking with the four students, Wen Ruohan, having nothing much to do, was scrolling through Twitter. She stumbled upon a trending topic related to Mist City Arts and Science University.

Upon opening the trending topic, she found a long article posted by Liu Ping on Twitter. It brought in many netizens to read and discuss it.

The article was titled "A Student's Account: My Father and My School"....

Chapter 522: Private University Approved and Praised by Netizens

On Twitter, a post titled "A Student's Account: My Father and My School" quickly went viral.

The author of this long post is Liu Ping from Mist City Arts and Science University, who is also one of the key figures in the Liu Yongzhi incident.

After reading this long Twitter post, netizens couldn't help but lament Liu Ping's miserable life and the eighteen lost years of Liu Yongzhi.

Moreover, netizens recognized the significant role that Liu Ping's institution, Mist City Arts and Science University played in this news event.

In his post, Liu Ping repeated that without the help of his alma mater, Mist City Arts and Science University, he didn't know when his father, Liu Yongzhi, would have been freed.

After seeing the mobile phone handed over by his secretary, Wen Ruohan, Ding Yue saw this long Twitter post by Liu Ping.

"A Student's Account: My Father and My School"——

"Thank you all for your concern about my father and me. Hi, I'm Liu Ping, a law student at Mist City Arts and Science University, coming from a rural area in the southwest.

Like many children from rural areas, I became a left-behind child when I was young. However, unlike them, whose fathers had all gone to work in other places, I became a left-behind child because my mother left and my father was locked up.

From the time I realized it, my grandparents told me that my father was wronged. He didn't commit any crime. But I didn't understand why, if my father was wronged, he was locked up?

Since then, I decided to rescue my father, just like the story of 'Lotus Lantern'.

After growing up, because my academic performance was not very good, my College Entrance Examination score was away from Xia Country Political and Law University. I felt very lost and extremely desperate at that time.

Because I knew that only after learning law well, could I get my father freedom!

During the summer vacation, I was working hard on the construction site. In the afternoon, I saw a very exciting news on my phone.

Yes! Professor Luo Xiang of Xia Country Political and Law University had become an honorary professor of the Law School of Mist City Arts and Science University. Mist City Arts and Science University was a private university, and at that time, its Law School had a pretty good reputation, so I thought, if I can't go to Xia Country Political and Law University, I can go to Mist City Arts and Science University. Both are about studying the law, and as long as I work hard enough on campus, I believe I can make it in the end.

So I made up my mind and went to Mist City Arts and Science University to study law, and then was successfully admitted by the university's independent recruitment program.

As Principal Ding said, the independent admissions of Mist City Arts and Science University, does not set a score line. Everyone loves their majors and fresh graduates are welcome to attend, so I went.

When school started, in order to check-in smoothly, I left my hometown one day early and rode the train to Mist City. Then, I found this incredibly beautiful Mist City Arts and Science University. At least in my heart, Mist City Arts and Science University is the most beautiful campus.

Since I arrived at Mist City Arts and Science University one day early, I unexpectedly met Principal Ding on campus. When Principal Ding saw that I was in search of a place to stay, he allowed me to rest in his apartment for the night. From that moment on, I knew that our Principal Ding was a good person.

That night, Principal Ding and I chatted a lot about my grandfather's tenon-mortise craftsmanship, and he was very interested.

The next day, Principal Ding took me to register. I smoothly chose the Faculty of Law of Mist City Arts and Science University and successfully became a college student.

Since then, I have been working hard to study law. Until a few days ago, when Principal Ding learned about my family situation, he said that the university would provide me with legal assistance. I didn't know what to do at the time.

The next day, Principal Ding put together the best legal team in our university for me. As far as I know, this team had served the legal robot Big White. I never thought that the school would take such a close interest in me, an ordinary student.

In this way, the school's legal team led by Director Huang went back to my hometown with me and started investigating my father's case and filed an appeal.

However, due to various reasons, the progress was once stalled. Faced with this situation, Principal Ding brought in reporters from NTS News to investigate and interview my father's case.

It was because of Principal Ding's support that my father's case could be resolved smoothly, and that I could see my father who had regained his freedom so quickly.

After my father was freed, Principal Ding arranged a job for him and the school's legal team also applied for official compensation for him.

What the school and Principal Ding did made me very moved. I don't know how to thank the school and Principal Ding. The only way to do it is to study hard in the future, achieve something, and then give back to my alma mater and society!"

Liu Ping's long post basically outlined his experiences and expressed his gratitude to the public in the text.

Because it was the attention of the netizens that enabled his father's case to be better resolved.

Of course.

In this long post, Liu Ping is most grateful to Mist City Arts and Science University and Principal Ding.

In Liu Ping's view, Mist City Arts and Science University is his second home, and Principal Ding is the best principal he knows.

Netizens praised Mist City Arts and Science University and Principal Ding after reading Liu Ping's long Twitter post.

You should know that Mist City Arts and Science University and Principal Ding have more than once done such positive things.

For a private university to achieve this, it's already very good. Some netizens even believe that the actions of Mist City Arts and Science University are essentially a non-professional lesson for their students.

Such a wonderful private university has changed the impressions of many netizens towards private universities.

Of course, perhaps this has changed the ingrained impression of Mist City Arts and Science University, a private institution. As for other private universities in the country, in the eyes of many, they are still synonymous with "money-grubbing".

That is to say, Liu Ping's long Twitter post has undoubtedly brought recognition from the general public to Mist City Arts and Science University.

"Mist City Arts and Science University is a really good private university."

"On this matter, I have to say Mist City Arts and Science University has done a great job."

"It seems that my child hasn't gone wrong by choosing this private institution."

"A private university with such warmth, responsibility, kindness to students, and positive influence on society is rare. Kudos to them."

"I used to have prejudice against private universities, but I don't have any towards Mist City Arts and Science University!"

"Mist City Arts and Science University has really done a great job, Principal Ding is also a good person, I hope Mist City Arts and Science University can continue to grow."

"After reading Liu Ping's account, I deeply realize how important a good university is. I am speechless about the leadership of the university my cousin attends."

"Regardless of how many points I score in next year's college entrance examination, I'll choose Mist City Arts and Science University. I really want to experience the feeling of the school being home."

"Principal Ding, wait for me next year!"

"As a parent who had some prejudice against Mist City Arts and Science University before, I think Mist City Arts and Science University has done well this time, at least they have gained my approval."

When Ding Yue saw that many netizens expressed their approval of Mist City Arts and Science University's actions in this incident, there was suddenly a light in front of him.

"Can these netizens' approval of my Mist City Arts and Science University increase the progress of the ["University Social Status"] task?"

Ding Yue couldn't help but become curious.

From Liu Yongzhi's incident to Liu Ping's summary long Twitter post, Ding Yue has a strong feeling of the public's acknowledgement towards Mist City Arts and Science University.

And isn't this recognition just what Ding Yue needed for the ["University Social Status"] task he accepted?

In order to improve the social status and influence of a university, you need to gain more widespread recognition.

"Swoosh!"

With a slight movement of Ding Yue's thought, he directly pulled out his task panel.

In the task panel, there are two tasks that have not been completed, one is the [Provincial Key Discipline Level] task, and the other is the [University Social Status] task.

Ding Yue chose the ["University Social Status"] task to check.

However, just when Ding Yue was about to check, a system prompt suddenly sounded in his mind.

Ding!

"Congratulations host on completing the ["University Social Status"] task. You have successfully raised the social acceptance and influence of Mist City Arts and Science University to the [Preliminary Recognition] level."

"Congratulations host on receiving the [Preliminary Recognition] level reward: 50 reputation points, [2nd tier University Treasure Chest]+1."

Ding Yue was just about to check the progress of his ["University Social Status"] task, and the system informed him that he had completed the first stage.

The ["University Social Status"] task is a long-term task. It has six stages in total: Preliminary Recognition, Public Recognition, Comparable to Public Universities, Key Private Institution, National Top-notch, World-renowned!

Now, due to Liu Ping's long Twitter post and the multiple mentions of Mist City Arts and Science University's help for students in previous news events, the public had somewhat recognized the university.

Of course, it was not the general public that recognized Mist City Arts and Science University, only a part of it, so it was only considered as completing the [Preliminary Recognition] task. The next one is [Public Recognition], Ding Yue didn't know what level he had to reach to complete it.

The reward for this [Preliminary Recognition] was pretty average.

Because Ding Yue only felt that the [3rd tier University Treasure Chest] could produce something good, and this [2nd tier University Treasure Chest] might contain just a pen if he was unlucky.

However, this was equivalent to getting a [2nd tier University Treasure Chest] for free, so it still felt pretty nice.

Then Ding Yue moved his thoughts slightly, moved the system interface to the item bar, and selected that [2nd tier University Treasure Chest].

"Open!"

It was once again Ding Yue's favorite time to open the treasure chest. Although it was only a [2nd tier University Treasure Chest], Ding Yue was still very curious whether he was a lucky dog or an unlucky person...

Chapter 523: Game Engine Production Technology

Watching the [Level 2 University Treasure Chest] start to spin in front of his eyes, and at the moment when it opened, Ding Yue felt quite a bit of excitement.

It was like playing a beloved game and opening a treasure box, expecting a legend or an epic item inside?

Ding!



Ding Yue's Mist City Arts and Sciences University had a E-sports Game College with a large number of students; from the 2020 to the 2021 student intake, the total number of students already reached two to three thousand.

Among these two to three thousand students of the E-sports Game College, some chose majors related to esports.

Such as Professional esports players, esports commentators, esports data analysts and so on.

But a large part of them didn't actually choose to play games as a major, but to design and produce games instead.

For example, game designers!

There are a lot of game design students in the E-sports Game College as well.

Ding Yue hadn't previously had an extensive understanding of the game design students in the E-sports Game College. But given that so many students chose this major, it indicates that these people love game design and, combined with the learning buff from Mist City Arts and Sciences University, there should be some capable game design students, right?

Otherwise, wouldn't this [Advanced Game Engine Manufacturing Technology] coming out from the University Treasure Chest be wasted?

In fact, even if there were no impressive students in the game design field, Ding Yue would still choose to bestow this technology onto the game design students.

Then it can be seen who can better understand this technology and create a decent game engine.

Game engine production technology is essential for making a game as many contemporary games are based on particular game engines.

A game engine is essentially a set of already written core components of editable computer game systems or interactive realtime graphic applications.

Game engines typically provide game designers with various tools required to write games with the aim of making it easier and quicker for game designers to create game programs without starting from scratch.

A game engine system includes a graphics engine, a physics engine, a collision detection system, sound, a script engine, computer animation, AI, a networking engine, and scene management, among others.

Well-known game engines include Frostbite Engine and the Unreal Engine.

"With this [Advanced Game Engine Production Technology], doesn't it mean we can make a badass game engine at Mist City Arts and Sciences University?"

As Ding Yue pondered this, he had a general plan in mind.

It seems like, from the moment Ding Yue got this [Advanced Game Engine Production Technology], it marks the swift development of his game design major at Mist City Arts and Sciences University.

The gaming field seems to be a very promising market, and Ding Yue figured, in the future, with an increasing number of tech patents at Mist City Arts and Sciences University, it's quite possible that technology and gaming can converge to usher in a new era of gaming!

"Secretary Wen, let's go take a trip to the E-sports Game College."

After having this thought, Ding Yue was going to take a good look at the E-sports Game College and find a suitable opportunity to apply this [High-Priced Game Engine Production Technology] to the students.

"Eh? Go to the E-sports Game College?"

Wen Ruohan was puzzled.

Why did Principal Ding suddenly want to go to the E-sports Game College?

"What are you standing there for?"

Ding Yue was ready to walk out of the office, but Wen Ruohan was still standing motionless.

"Oh, Principal Ding, why are we going to the E-sports Game College? To observe the teaching situation?"

Wen Ruohan quickly followed, asking with curiosity.

"Yes, the E-sports Game College is one of the colleges with the largest number of students in Mist City Arts and Science University. Its future development will undoubtedly receive a lot of attention from the public."

Ding Yue nodded as he spoke.

Ding Yue was right. The E-sports Game College probably only exists as a unique feature of Mist City Arts and Science University. Generally, people see this major as simply playing games, which, in the eyes of many parents, is a lack of dedication to serious work.

Therefore, whether the E-sports Game College of Mist City Arts and Science University can achieve good academic results is quite significant.

If all students of the E-sports Game College in Mist City Arts and Science University can master the coursework and find a good job, then the general public's prejudice towards this "gaming" major at Mist City Arts and Science University would be alleviated.

People may even think that this school has a forward-looking vision.

However, if it fails, the university fears it will suffer from widespread criticism. Ding Yue can even imagine the critical comments, such as "wasting the prime years of students", "not dedicated to serious work" and so on.

"Principal Ding, should we notify Director Jian first?"

On the way to the E-Sports Game College, Wen Ruohan asked Principal Ding.

"No need, we'll just go straight to Director Jian's office."

Ever since Director Jian Zihao of E-sports Game College took office last year, he has proven his capabilities. If he continues to hold his position for a few more years, his abilities should rise even further.

With this in mind, Ding Yue temporarily dismissed the idea of replacing the Dean of the E-sports Game College. Jian Zihao was doing just fine.

After all, the leading team of the E-sports Game College, the FY squad, is directly led by Jian Zihao. As long as Jian Zihao is in the E-sports Game College of Mist City Arts and Sciences University, young people who love e-sports will think the College is not bad, at least there is a famous e-sports figure present.

Over ten minutes later.

Ding Yue and Wen Ruohan arrived at the office of the E-sports Game College Director.

Knock knock!

Wen Ruohan knocked on the office door.

"Come in!"

From inside the office, Jian Zihao's voice could be heard.

So, Wen Ruohan opened the door, letting Principal Ding enter first, then followed behind him.

"Principal Ding? What brings you here?" Seeing Ding Yue, Jian Zihao quickly got up from his office chair and walked over with a smile.

In the campus of Mist City Arts and Science University, anyone who met Principal Ding would be polite, after all, the large campus was under Ding's jurisdiction.

Jian Zihao had a good relationship with Principal Ding, but since the last time the FY squad was formed, their meetings had become less frequent.

That's because Jian Zihao was busy leading the members of the FY squad in competitions and daily training.

And Principal Ding was also consistently busy, something Jian Zihao knew. The achievements of Mist City Arts and Science University over the past year couldn't have been made without Principal Ding's participation and support.

Indeed, as Principal of an entire University, it wasn't easy for Ding Yue to supervise the construction and development of almost a hundred majors within about twenty institutes in Mist City Arts and Science University.

"I came to have a look and see if there's anything the E-sports Game College needs," Ding Yue also said with a smile to Jian Zihao.

"Principal Ding has already provided us with a lot of support for the E-sports Game College."

"That's not enough."

Ding Yue shook his head, and then said seriously, "The E-sports Game College is one of the departments with the largest number of students in our Mist City Arts and Science University. The disciplines involved are not only e-sports, but also gaming."

"What does Principal Ding mean?" Jian Zihao didn't seem to understand Principal Ding's meaning.

"The majors related to e-sports games, such as e-sports professional players, e-sports professional commentators, e-sports data analysts, the school indeed has support for development. But aren't there also students and majors related to game production in the E-sports Game College? Shouldn't we balance the scales?"

Ding Yue's purpose of his visit this time was to cater to the students studying game design and production.

"Oh, I see. Indeed, there are quite a few students in the game design major."

Jian Zihao realized and nodded.

Actually, Jian Zihao had always felt that the game design students of the E-sports Game College of Mist City Arts and Science University should not be overlooked.

After all, this group of students is huge, and the issue of employment after graduation from university is a problem.

Principal Ding established Feiyue eSports, which can to a certain extent solve the employment problem of professional players. What about the students majoring in game design?

If they are asked to find their own jobs after graduation, it's likely to be difficult, because the game design major at Mist City Arts and Science University is currently not a key specialty. Their competitiveness after graduation definitely can't match those longstanding universities specializing in game design and production.

"As the director of the E-sports Game College, tell me about the situation of the major related to game design and production in your department."

Ding Yue sat on the sofa in Jian Zihao's office and asked seriously.

Chapter 524: Finally Received Principal Ding's Favor

"Have you guys heard? Principal Ding and Director Jian are planning to support our game design program."

"That's great news."

"There are so many students at the E-sports Game College. eSports has already got professional teams and clubs. We, who are developing games, definitely should get in on this."

"With Principal Ding's attention, our program might become the flagship program of Mist City Arts and Science University, just like the mechanical and computer science programs."

"I knew I chose the right major. But game development is so hard to learn, sob."

"Enough said, I'm going bald from all this work."

"Guys, being a game design and development student, isn't going bald just part of the process? How can we improve if we don't go bald, right?"

"Haha, you're absolutely right."

The students of the E-sports Game College are discussing Principal Ding and Director Jian's conversation in their class group chat.

This news came from Director Jian's assistant. He said that Principal Ding is currently in Director Jian's office, having a lively conversation about cultivating talent in game design and development at Mist City Arts and Sciences University.

Without a doubt, this news is a strong stimulant for the game design students of the E-sports Game College at Mist City Arts and Science University!

Since its establishment, Mist City Arts and Science University has focused on developing several departments and programs.

Such as the departments of mechanical engineering, computer science, medical school, architectural school, etc., are the most well-known key development programs at Mist City Arts and Science University. All the students understand this clearly.

However, the other programs are not willing to be left behind.

The most typical example is the Film and Television College. Director Zhu Youzhao of the Film and Television College has seized an opportunity for the students to make a documentary.

Unexpectedly, this opportunity that Director Zhu Youzhao fought for changed the fate of the Film and Television College at Mist City Arts and Science University.

Before, the Film and Television College was basically invisible to Principal Ding.

But now, the Film and Television College is about to win awards for the school. The food documentary they produced, "A Bite of Xia Country," has become a classic food documentary that the audience enjoys talking about.

The funding that the Film and Television College has received has been increasing every semester, leading to a continuous improvement in the college's strength.

Although the E-sports Game College has also gained the attention of Principal Ding, that is only for eSports, which has nothing to do with game design and development.

The eSports students not only have professional teams, but also clubs built by Principal Ding himself. They receive all sorts of financial support for teaching, which makes the game design students green with envy.

Now!

Does Principal Ding finally remember them, the students of game design program, who are working hard on game development and are about to go bald?

The game design students compared this situation quite vividly.

If Principal Ding is the emperor of Mist City Arts and Science University kingdom, and the programs are his concubines.

All this time, Principal Ding has favored one beloved concubine after another.

Now.

The game design program, as a concubine, is finally about to receive Principal Ding's favor.

It's a touching moment!

Meanwhile, in Director Jian's office.

Ding Yue is attentively listening to Jian Zihao report on the situation of the game design program.

"So, there are no particularly outstanding students among the several classes in the game design program at Mist City Arts and Science University?"

Ding Yue frowned.

Initially, he thought that since there are several classes in the game design program with more than two hundred students, there would be some genius students like Tong Yihang and Liu Tiefei from the mechanical engineering department, right?

After all, these are students who have been given learning BUFFs. Isn't there a single standout student?

"Principal Ding, according to the semester grades, the game design students generally perform well, but there aren't any exceptionally outstanding students."

Jian Zihao handed a printed grade report to Principal Ding.

Ding Yue took it and looked it over.

The grades on the report card were indeed as Jian Zihao said, generally good, but there were no students with grades like those of Tong Yihang.

Wait a minute!

After looking at the grades, Ding Yue suddenly felt that his thought process was wrong, or rather that Jian Zihao had led him astray.

Since it's the game design program, shouldn't practical development and design skills be the most important?

What's the use of looking at a report card?

Even if the grades on the report card include operations like game development and design, it's too one-sided.

"Director Jian, in a program like game design and development, simply looking at theoretical grades won't tell you much."

Ding Yue shook his head and said to Jian Zihao.

Hearing this, Jian Zihao thought that Principal Ding was right, and his introduction to the game design program was indeed too one-sided.

"How about this? Let's hold a game design competition in the school and encourage students from the game design program to participate, forming teams to design a small game. Let's see if our students can design some interesting small games."

Ding Yue made a suggestion.

This suggestion is like conducting a large-scale screening among the students in the game design program.

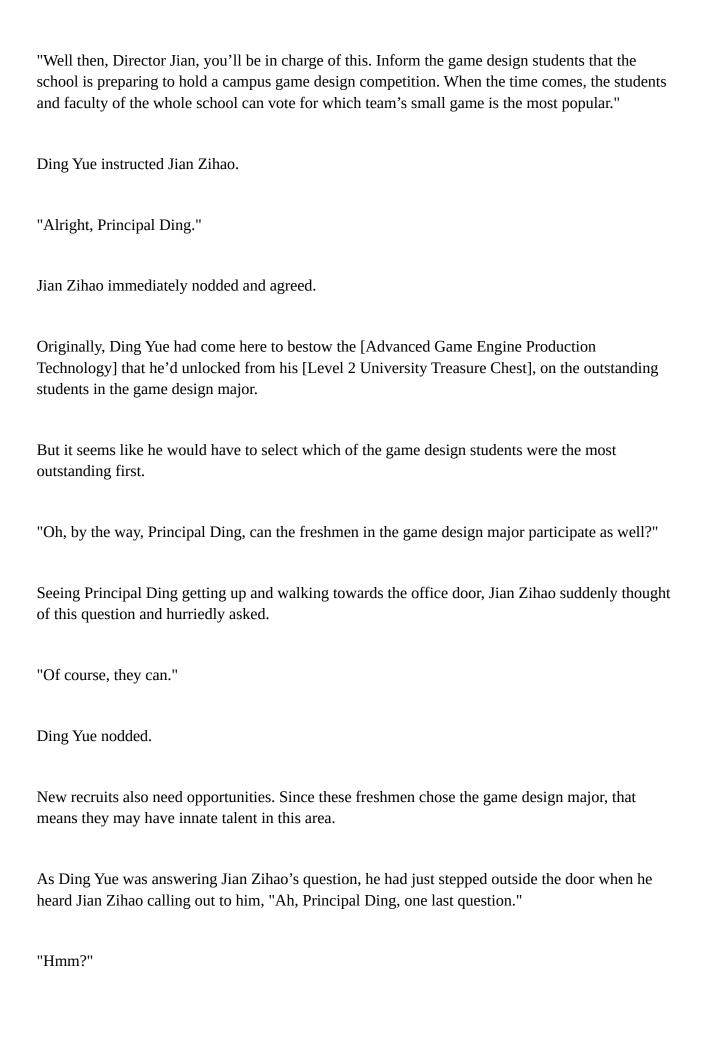
Since Ding Yue wants to bestow his [Advanced Game Engine Manufacturing Technology] to students, he needs to select the best students.

Otherwise, the effect might not be as ideal.

Although [Advanced Game Engine Manufacturing Technology] is a technology for producing a game engine, for game design students, game design and the game engine are indispensable to each other.

"Principal Ding, this is a good suggestion."

Without a second thought, Jian Zihao readily agreed.



Ding Yue turned around, frowning and asked, "What is the question?"

"That is, when our game design students create their mini-games, can they team up with students from other majors? Also, how much is the prize money for this campus game design competition? How long does this game design competition last?" Jian Zihao asked.

Upon hearing this, Ding Yue couldn't help but be stunned.

This is one question?

"Ahem."

Ding Yue coughed lightly and returned to his office, sitting on the couch, he further pondered the multiple questions Jian Zihao had asked.

He had indeed been somewhat thoughtless earlier.

Only thinking about the university hosting a campus game design competition, he did not consider various possible scenarios.

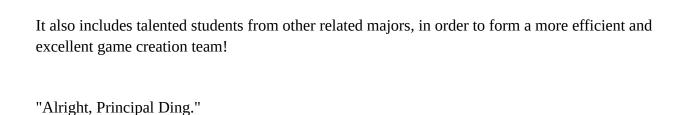
"Since it's a teamwork-based competition, it's not limited to game design majors. If students from other majors can be recruited to help, that's also fine, it all depends on whether or not they have the ability."

Ding Yue thought for a moment and allowed the game design teams to recruit "outside help".

But this 'outside help' is not someone well-known in the gaming design major, but someone related to game design.

For instance, students from the fine arts major, animation design, and production major. Some of the content they learn overlaps with the game design major.

In general, a game creation team does not solely consist of students in the game design major.



Jian Zihao quickly noted down Principal Ding's intent, as these will be the rules of the campus game design competition.

"What about the prize money and the duration of the competition?"

Jian Zihao immediately asked after he finished noting down the rules.

"For just a mini-game development competition, it shouldn't take too long, right? How about a week?"

As Ding Yue thought, the competition duration doesn't need to be long.

Some excellent game developers, given a frame of reference, can pop out a mini-program game in no time.

A week is plenty of time to create a mini-game, especially when it's being made as a team.

"Alright, and the prize money?" Jian Zihao quickly noted down the duration of one week.

"As for the prize money, ten thousand!" Ding Yue said, raising one finger and smiling, "Is that too little?"

"No, it's not too little, Principal Ding, ten thousand for a week, it's not little at all!" Wen Ruohan, who was present, shook her head and said.

"Right, that seems about right."

Jian Zihao also nodded in agreement.

| "Okay, the prize money will be ten thousand." Ding Yue affirmed the issues raised by Jian Zihao and specifically asked if there were any other issues. |
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| If there were, they would clarify them all at once. |
| "Nothing else, Principal Ding. I'll notify everyone right away." Jian Zihao said after confirming that there were no other issues with the rules of the campus game design competition. |
| "Good!" |
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| [Game Design Class 1 Official Group]—— |
| "Guys, anyone up for a Black Rose game? Need two bronze players!" |
| "Am I, as a gold player, not worth it?" |
| "@everyone, classmates, there's an announcement. The school is going to hold a campus game design competition, which is likely an opportunity Principal Ding is specifically giving us in the game design major. Everyone must participate actively. |
| The rules of the competition are as follows: |
| 1. To participate, please form teams of students and register with the homeroom teacher! |
| 2. Timing: Registration time is 2 days, the competition period is one week. |
| 3. Requirements: Teams of students are to design and develop a mini-game, with no restrictions on the game genre. |
| 4. Prize Money: The best team in this competition will receive a cash prize of 10,000 yuan provided by the school! |

| 5. Rewards: The best team will receive continued game development support from Principal Ding! |
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| 6. Judging: The mini-games developed by each team will be voted by the entire school's teacher and students to select the best one!" |
| Just as a student in the game design major group was shouting for game team-ups, the class advisor suddenly tagged everyone, notifying them of the announcement given by Director Jian. |
| In an instant, the students in the group were stirred up. |
| 10,000 yuan is not important, what's crucial is gaining Principal Ding's favor |
| Chapter 525: Can't Get the Essence Yancheng. |
| Qinghua University Department of Mechanical Engineering. |
| As the best mechanical engineering department among domestic universities, Qinghua University has always been a benchmark in the mechanical industry. |
| Year after year, Qinghua University Department of Mechanical Engineering has cultivated many professional talents for the state in the field of mechanics. |
| However. |
| In the field of precision machinery processing, there are some shortcomings in Qinghua University's Department of Mechanical Engineering, resulting in a certain gap with foreign precision machinery processing. |
| Especially in the field of chip processing, Qinghua University Department of Mechanical Engineering has been striving for a breakthrough in recent years. |
| But! |

At this year's National College Education Innovation Exchange Conference, Principal Sun of Qinghua University learned from Principal Ding of Mist City Arts and Science University that they have been conducting research in the field of precision machinery processing for photolithography machines.

This piqued Principal Sun's interest in Mist City Arts and Science University.

Therefore, after the National College Education Innovation Exchange Conference, Principal Sun returned to Qinghua University, and discussed with the head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Liu Mingjiang.

"Principal Sun, do you seriously believe that a private university could conduct research in the field of precision machinery processing for photolithography machines? This is ridiculous!"

Liu Mingjiang felt this was the most absurd thing he had ever heard.

"Liu, we should not dismiss them outright. Although I do not know much about the precision machinery processing of photolithography machines, they are confident about it. We should reach out to them. Moreover, Principal Ding mentioned that two of our graduates from Qinghua University's Department of Mechanical Engineering are working at Mist City Arts and Science University and are involved in the research and development of its photolithography machine precision machinery processing."

Principal Sun spoke very seriously.

As the head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Liu Mingjiang was knowledgeable about the subject, but he was too arrogant to believe that a private university like Mist City Arts and Science University could undertake precision machinery processing for photolithography machines.

"Principal Sun, we have countless graduates from the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Qinghua University every year. It's not anything remarkable for a private company to recruit two of them, and it's a dream to think that we would establish a cooperative relationship with their mechanical department."

Liu Mingjiang insisted that the achievements of Mist City Arts and Science University in mechanical engineering did not compare to Qinghua University's Department of Mechanical Engineering.

Since they didn't measure up, he would have to consider carefully whether to establish a cooperative relationship.

"Liu, you're always like this, won't you even listen to me? Are those two students not at their Mist City Arts and Science University?"

Principal Sun stretched out his hand and lightly patted Liu Mingjiang's shoulder.

"Which two students?" Liu Mingjiang asked.

"Luo Peng, and Su Beilin!" Principal Sun replied with a smile.

"Luo Peng... Su Beilin..."

"Liu, you can't say you don't remember these two students. I still remember them!"

Liu Mingjiang couldn't help but frown, mumbling, "Of course I remember them. They went to Dingli Group, didn't they? On the photolithography machine project at Dingli Group..."

"Do you remember the scandal between Dingli Group and Rentang Medical Technology Group last time? Now they have joined Principal Ding's Feiyue Group at Mist City Arts and Science University."

Principal Sun explained to Dean Liu Mingjiang.

After hearing this, Liu Mingjiang fell silent for a moment. After a while, he said, "If that's the case, I might have to reconsider. With Luo Peng and Su Beilin at Mist City Arts and Science University, plus the potential strength of their Mechanical Department and sufficient funding, they might actually be able to conduct research in the field of precision machinery processing for photolithography machines."

"Then Liu, since we've talked about it, how about you lead the team to visit Mist City Arts and Science University this time?"

Principal Sun asked seriously.

"No problem, if you say so, Principal Sun, then I really should go and see whether Mist City Arts and Science University really has what it takes."

Liu Mingjiang's attitude changed in an instant.

Just now he didn't even agree to establish a cooperative relationship with the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Mist City Arts and Science University.

Now, in a blink of an eye, he's decided to go and investigate. If the inspection results are satisfactory or acceptable, then Liu Mingjiang will consider Principal Sun's suggestion and establish a cooperation and exchange in the field of precision machinery processing for photolithography machines with Mist City Arts and Science University.

If the Mechanical Engineering Department of Mist City Arts and Science University is just a paper tiger, then sorry, you may be able to fool Principal Sun, but you can't fool me, Liu Mingjiang.

Liu Mingjiang knew very well why Principal Sun would exchange with a private university like Mist City Arts and Science University. It was probably because at the last National College Education Innovation Exchange Conference, Mist City Arts and Science University was "named" by Deputy director Qiu from the Education Department, which skyrocketed their reputation at the conference.

"Okay, I'm looking forward to your good news!" Principal Sun said seriously: "Mist City Arts and Science University is the only private university that I, Sun, have to admire."

"Principal Sun rates Mist City Arts and Science University highly?" Liu Mingjiang was amazed.

He knew Principal Sun very well. It was hard for anyone to catch Principal Sun's eye, yet Mist City Arts and Science University had captured his attention during the National College Education Innovation Exchange Conference.

"Liu, it's not just me who sees a bright future for Mist City Arts and Science University. Principal Zhu from neighboring Yancheng University knows too, he's also planning to establish a cooperative relationship with Principal Ding's Mist City Arts and Science University," Principal Sun said with a sigh. "Principal Ding is really promising. Really promising indeed!"

"Principal Zhu too..."

Liu Mingjiang originally intended to weave in a couple of idioms. but it seemed inappropriate. After all, applying an idiom to Principal Zhu of Yancheng University would implicitly apply it to his own Principal Sun.

Not appropriate, not appropriate at all.

"Although the current achievements of Mist City Arts and Science University are modest, the potential of the students cultivated by their teaching model is excellent. However, this teaching model of Mist City Arts and Science University is suitable only for private universities. It's not suitable for us at Qinghua University or Yancheng University."

Principal Sun said, analyzing rationally.

Although he was bullish on Ding Yue's Mist City Arts and Science University and interested in its liberalized teaching model, the Qinghua University and Yancheng University's situation was different as most of the students here were the best in the National College Entrance Exam.

This situation was essentially the polar opposite of Mist City Arts and Science University, where their independent admissions did not focus on scores but interests and hobbies.

It was because of interests and hobbies that excellent professionals related to these interests and hobbies could be cultivated under a specialized education model.

Principal Sun thought that the capable students trained by Mist City Arts and Science University, such as Tong Yihang and Liu Tiefei from the Department of Mechanical Engineering, might not be able to be nurtured if they were to study at Qinghua University instead.

Because the seeds, in this case, the students, and the soil, the universities, were not the same.

"Many top-ranked universities in other countries are actually private universities. Since both you, Principal Sun and Principal Zhu, think highly of Mist City Arts and Science University, it might have the potential to develop into a strong private university. It's newly established, so why not give it a try?"

| After being told by Principal Sun's words, Liu Mingjiang also commented on Mist City Arts and Science University. |
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| Of course, this is just his own opinion. |
| "Perhaps, let's wait and see how Mist City Arts and Science University develops in the future." Principal Sun said thoughtfully. |
| After the conversation with Principal Sun, Liu Mingjiang immediately put together an inspection team from the Department of Mechanical Engineering of Qinghua University. The team consisted of eight people, including well-known professors and outstanding students from the Department of Mechanical Engineering. Liu himself led the team, who would be heading to Mist City Arts and Science University for an inspection by the end of the month. |
| Meanwhile, at Yancheng University. |
| Like Principal Sun, Principal Zhu called in the head of artificial intelligence, and asked him to form an inspection team to visit Mist City Arts and Science University at the end of the month. They wanted to assess whether its artificial intelligence major was capable of establishing a cooperative exchange relationship with Yancheng University. |
| In this way, two of the top institutions in Xia Country, each in their own field of expertise, turned their gaze on a private university. |
| This private university, which was currently in full swing, had public opinion skyrocketing. |
| One of the reasons why Mist City Arts and Science University's reputation has soared among the general public, besides demonstrating some educational achievements in certain fields, was the humanistic care demonstrated by the university itself. |
| Netizens conducted a poll - the university with the most humanistic care is? |
| There's no doubt. |

Many netizens voted for Mist City Arts and Science University.

Mist City Arts and Science University does a terrific job in caring for its students. This makes up for the public's perception of the private university's academic weaknesses.

So, for a time, Mist City Arts and Science University has quickly become the first choice for many considering private universities.

This made the heads of many private universities envious!

Private universities have always struggled with student recruitment, with even the well-known Westlight University suffering from declining admissions.

Yet, a newly-risen, unheard-of private university has emerged with substantial financial resources, excellent management, and its academic strength is also on the rise.

Many private university heads, with bitterness and jealousy, regard Mist City Arts and Science University as the idol of private universities.

We need to learn, to learn a lot.

However, like Westlight University, even if these private university heads want to learn, they can only learn some superficial aspects and can't grasp the essence of Mist City Arts and Science University.

Because the essence of Mist City Arts and Science University is that its principal is a damn genius...

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"Ming, how's that graphics rendering you're working on?"

"Almost there."

"Liu Lang, what about the program launch?"

"It'll be done today."

In a boys' dormitory at Mist City Arts and Science University, seven or eight male students were gathered in the room, each with a computer, busily working on a small game.

"Brother Gou, do you think our game could win a prize?"

Suddenly, someone asked.

"I can't guarantee we'll win for sure, but our game 'Big White's Great Escape' will definitely generate some buzz," Pei Gou said with a laugh.

"Well, Brother Gou, our game is indeed gaining popularity, hahaha."

"If the prize money is ten thousand yuan, and there are eight of us, how much would each person get?"

"Liu Lang, aren't you being a bit shortsighted? All you can see is the ten thousand yuan prize? Didn't you notice Principal Ding's support for the winning team? With Principal Ding's support, we'll be on the fast track to success."

"What do you mean?"

"Look, those students from the film and television academy, and Lin Zhirou and Jia Wenbo from the art department, and even the students from the mechanical engineering department, haven't they all been doing better and better after receiving Principal Ding's support?"

"Makes sense! We could ask Principal Ding to invest in us to make a bigger game in the future."

"Yes, we could create a AAA-level domestic masterpiece!"

"Give it a rest, a AAA-level domestic masterpiece, made by just us few?"

Some people were full of enthusiasm, but some were more skeptical. After all, producing a AAA-level domestic masterpiece was not something a few people could easily achieve.

"Actually, what I really want to do is not just one or two games. I want to create our own game engine," Pei Gou said seriously.

"Brother Gou, creating a game engine? Like the Unreal engine? That's an incredibly huge project and involves various complex technologies." Zhang Tianming said with a sigh after hearing this.

"It's the difficulty that makes it challenging," Pei Gou said confidently.

Pei Gou had thought that after he graduated and had achieved something, he would join a good gaming company and then create a top-level game engine for Xia Country, just like the Unreal engine!

"Brother Gou, your ambition is impressive. My aspirations aren't so high. I'd consider myself lucky just to join a decent game design team," said Xu Hong, shaking his head.

"By the way, where do you all want to work after graduation?"

Suddenly someone brought up this question.

"Go...sigh, working in the gaming division of Penguin would be nice enough."

"Wow, aiming for Penguin's gaming division? That's not easy."

"Doesn't anyone want to join Web Depression?"

"How about Perfect World?"

"Blizzard would be good too."

"Why don't you just say you want to join Nintendo!"

"Hahaha, I'd rather go to Ubisoft."

"Stop just drinking, eat some peanuts."

"Alright, let's get back to work. We only have three more days. How are we supposed to compete if we can't even produce a game?"

Pei Gou urged his team members to get back to work.

Even though they were making a small game using existing code structures, it had to be good enough to compete with the games from other teams.

Remember, there were more than twenty teams participating in this school-hosted game design competition.

With so many competing teams, a stand-out game had to have something special.

For the game concept, Pei Gou had an idea inspired by Big White, a character related to their school.

The game concept was also inspired by the popular movie "Super Combat Team." One of the reasons Pei Gou chose to make a game based on Big White was because a friend of his and a member of their team, Xu Hong, was part of Feiyue Animation Studio and a student of animation design and production at Mist City Arts and Science University.

Xu Hong was essentially the "auxiliary force" of their team.

Such "auxiliary force" was allowed under the competition rules, so Pei Gou thought it would make sense to use some of the original drawings and graphic resources from Feiyue Animation Studio as the base for their game.

Thus, the theme of the game was decided to be "Big White."

Next, Pei Gou and his teammates decided to make the game an adventure runner with a "sci-fi" tone and a shooting element.

And so, "Big White's Great Escape" was born, with Pei Gou leading his team in the development.

Since the competition schedule was seven days, and the school had asked for small games, there should be no problem completing the task on time for competent student teams.

On the last day of the competition, the day the team submissions were due, only thirteen of the more than twenty student teams successfully submitted a product.

The next morning.

When Ding Yue arrived at his office, Jian Zihao called him to report on the specifics of the campus game design competition.

"Principal Ding, we had twenty-seven student teams sign up for the competition, each team ranging from five to ten members. But as of midnight yesterday, we only received products from thirteen teams."

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Jian Zihao reported over the phone.

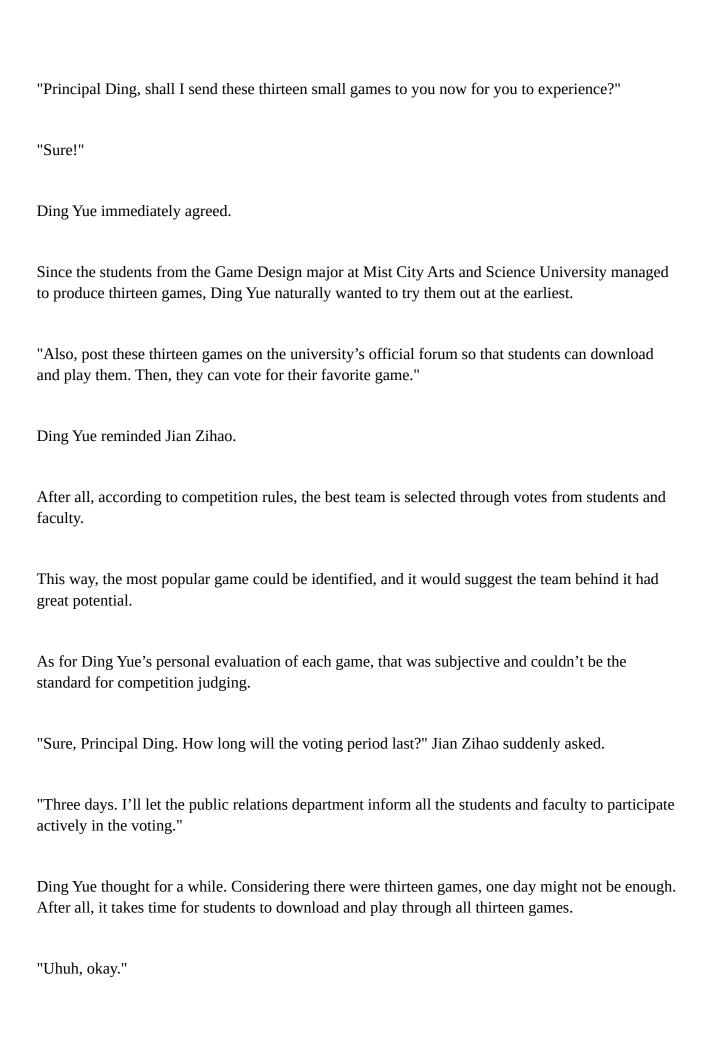
"So few?"

Upon hearing this, Ding Yue couldn't help but feel surprised. "Did we set the competition period too short?"

"Principal Ding, for a team capable of independently creating a small game, a week is not too short. The fact that only thirteen out of twenty-seven teams submitted a work, is because the other fourteen teams lack sufficient skill in game development," Jian Zihao explained.

Having heard Jian Zihao's explanation, Ding Yue thought it made sense. If a team couldn't even produce a single small game within a reasonable timeframe, it either meant they weren't working hard enough or lacked the necessary skills.

After all, thirteen teams did manage to produce a small game.



| Ding Yue opened the game package. There were thirteen small games in total, each with its own name. They were: |
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| 1. Extreme Motorcycle |
| 2. Super Miner |
| 3. Ocean Fishing |
| 4. Happy Elimination |
| 5. Speed Racing |
| 6. Big White's Great Escape |
| 7. Young Lady's Wardrobe |
| 8. Loli Dress-Up |
| 9. Find the Differences |
| 10. Gourmet Jigsaw |
| 11. Cultivating the Truth World |
| 12. The Great Magician |
| 13. This Demon King is Super Powerful But Too Cautious |

After hanging up, Jian Zihao immediately sent a game file package to Ding Yue's computer.

| Ding Yue glanced through the names of these thirteen games. At first glance, most of them seem quite ordinary. |
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| What's with the miner, fishing, racing, and motorcycle games, don't they seem rather commonplace, considering there might be eighty to a hundred thousand similar games in the market? |
| However, the last game's name seems to carry some weight. |
| Wait a minute! |
| Ding Yue seemed to have noticed something amiss. |
| Young Lady's Wardrobe and Loli Dress-Up????? |
| What the heck are these? |
| They even included dress-up games? |
| However, Ding Yue found the game's title somewhat alluring. |
| So, Ding Yue installed "Young Lady's Wardrobe" and "Loli Dress-Up" first and launched them for a test play. |
| "Principal Ding, what kind of games are these two?" |
| Seeing Principal Ding installing the games, Wen Ruohan curiously asked. |
| "Ahem" |
| Ding Yue coughed lightly, avoiding Wen Ruohan's question. |
| In a short while, "Young Lady's Wardrobe" was installed. He started to test the game. |

Wen Ruohan leaned in close for a look, then murmured, "Oh, it's a dress-up game. Isn't this game too childish?"

Indeed, dress-up games might seem childish to adults, but a certain section of women and children would still like these games because various pretty dresses appear in these games.

As expected, after Ding Yue started the game, he saw a voluptuous young lady, who was aesthetically pleasing for most people.

Ding Yue carefully judged the game "Young Lady's Wardrobe," this game seemed to be slightly over the line.

"Sigh."

Ding Yue sighed in resignation, clicked the mouse a few times to change outfits, then lost interest in playing it.

It wasn't fun at all!

After testing these two dress-up games, Ding Yue started to test the other games, one by one.

After all, these small games were brought to life with the hard work of students. Ding Yue definitely wanted to experience each one and thus be able to pick out the best one.

"Huh, this game is called 'Big White's Great Escape'?"

Ding Yue seemed to see the sixth small game—clearly it drew inspiration from Big White, the robot from the Mist City Arts and Science University?

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"Big White? Using Big White as a basis for a game?" Wen Ruohan asked curiously.

"Sounds interesting, is it an escape game?" Ding Yue thought of games like 'Temple Run' when he saw the title "Big White's Great Escape".

If his guess was correct, it would be the same kind of escape game.

Ding Yue wasn't sure whether this kind of game had been popular in this parallel world, but they took the world by storm back on Earth for a while. There were even numerous escape and parkour games of various themes.

While Ding Yue was trying out these thirteen mini-games, a post by the school's official editor appeared on the official forum of Mist City Arts and Science University.

The post contained download links for the thirteen mini-games, all of which could be played on both mobile and desktop devices.

Since they were small games and didn't take up much memory, many students from Mist City Arts and Science University downloaded them to give them a go.

Not only that...

The university's publicity department also notified all teachers and students through the university's official account, encouraging them to participate actively in the voting for the campus game design contest.

With the call from the school, many students participated in the trial play and voting process.

"Haha, these are mini-games designed by our school's game design major? Why do some of them look so silly?"

"Young Lady's Wardrobe? I love it right away!"

"I downloaded and played 'Big White's Great Escape'. It feels pretty good, there are many scenes, the graphics are very beautiful, it's clear that a lot of effort was put into it. Also, our school's Big White is used, and there are lots of shooting elements in it, thumbs up! I vote for 'Big White's Great Escape'."

| "What the heck is 'Extreme Motorcycle'? It's way too hard." |
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| "Can someone recommend a fun game? I'd like to download one and give it a try tonight." |
| "I recommend 'Big White's Great Escape'!" |
| "I recommend you try 'Loli Dress-Up'." |
| "Holy cow! 'This Demon King Is Overpowered but Overly Cautious' is actually a text-based game? I'm shocked!" |
| "Hahaha, 'This Demon King Is Overpowered but Overly Cautious' is definitely a slipshod job." |
| "So far, I've played eight of the games and I think 'Big White's Great Escape' is the best one." |
| "After all, 'Big White's Great Escape' is a game developed by our team led by Pei." |
| "Just asking, who is Pei?" |
| "You don't know Pei? It's Pei Gou from the game design major, Gou, he made a mini-game program last year and earned quite a bit of money." |
| "Gou is truly amazing!" |
| "Am I the only one who finds 'Cultivating the Truth World' pretty fun? This card game is interesting." |
| "Why do I feel like 'Cultivating the Truth World' and 'The Great Magician' look similar, just like they are carved out of the same mold." |
| "Well, you probably don't know this. They are likely built using the same code architecture." |

Students from Mist City Arts and Science University were discussing these thirteen mini-games from the Campus Game Design Competition on the official school forum and various discussion groups.

Among them, the most popular ones were 'Young Lady's Wardrobe', 'Loli Dress-Up', 'Extreme Motorcycle', 'This Demon King Is Overpowered but Overly Cautious', and 'Big White's Great Escape'.

No need to elaborate on the first two dress-up games. The moment some students saw the names of these games, they downloaded and started playing them.

On the other hand, 'Extreme Motorcycle' was notorious for being difficult. Nevertheless, plenty of students were intrigued enough to have a firsthand experience of its difficulty level.

They began playing with the game and discovered they could even glitch the game!

Then there's 'This Demon King Is Overpowered but Overly Cautious'. Thanks to its incredibly long title, it drew a lot of attention from students.

Just when they thought it might be an interesting game, they found out, to their dismay, that it was a trap. It was just a text-based game with hardly an image or graphics!

'Big White's Great Escape', the game with the best reputation and most popularity, was considered to be the most standard among all the mini-games.

It was widely praised and recommended by students due to its ties to 'Big White', its beautiful graphics, and the incorporation of shooting elements.

Some students even suggested that the mini-game could directly be listed in the marketplace for promotion and might attract even more players.

Ding Yue had a go at all thirteen mini-games in one go.

His final conclusion was that, while 'Gourmet Jigsaw' was somewhat appealing, it was overly simple and seemed more like an educational game for children.

'Happy Elimination', on the other hand, was a shameless single-player copy of 'Candy Crush'.

Then there were 'Extreme Motorcycle' and 'Speed Racing', both of which lacked any sort of highlight.

On the contrary, 'Cultivating the Truth World' and 'Twist Fate', the two card games, initially struck him as somewhat interesting.

But after a bit of playtime, he found both of them to be boring.

The only mini-game that managed to hold Ding Yue's interest for an extended period was 'Big White's Great Escape'. With plenty of scenes and graphic elements, it was hands-down the most detailed game among the thaiteen. This suggested that the team behind this mini-game was the most dedicated during the week-long mini-game development period.

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"Unlike the game 'This Demon King is Overpowered yet Excessively Prudent,' which was clearly dashed off without much effort, they didn't even bother with graphics and turned it into a text game."

So Ding Yue personally feels that the most deserving work for the best award-winning team should be this game, 'Big White's Great Escape'."

But Ding Yue just doesn't know if the students at Mist City Arts and Science University think the same way he does.

What if those mischievous students crazily cast their votes for 'Young Lady's Wardrobe' and 'Loli Dress-Up'?

Well, that could actually happen.

"Secretary Wen, how's the voting for the thirteen mini-games going?" Ding Yue asked his secretary, Wen Ruohan.

No response at all.

Ding Yue looked up to see Wen Ruohan sitting at her desk, seemingly absorbed in playing 'Big White's Great Escape'.

Seeing Wen Ruohan playing so seriously, Ding Yue went to his desk and logged into the official website of Mist City Arts and Science University to check the real-time voting statistics of the thirteen mini-games.

- 1. 'Extreme Motorcycle' 341 votes
- 2. 'Super Miner' 502 votes
- 3. 'Ocean Fishing' 1071 votes
- 4. 'Happy Elimination' 1119 votes
- 5. 'Speed Racing' 486 votes
- 6. 'Big White's Great Escape' 11276 votes
- 7. 'Young Lady's Wardrobe' 5793 votes
- 8. 'Loli Dress-Up' 5786 votes
- 9. 'Find the Differences' 691 votes
- 10. 'Gourmet Jigsaw' 2073 votes
- 11. 'Cultivating the Truth World' 893 votes
- 12. 'The Great Magician' 970 votes

13. 'This Demon King is Overpowered yet Excessively Prudent' - 1899 votes

"It seems that the students have the same taste as mine."

After seeing the real-time voting, Ding Yue was very satisfied.

Because indeed, 'Big White's Great Escape' led the vote count, breaking into the tens of thousands. This shows that the majority of students still find this mini-game the most fun.

Moreover, Ding Yue was right. The students at Mist City Arts and Science University did cast quite a few votes for 'Young Lady's Wardrobe' and 'Loli Dress-Up'. The total votes for these two games even exceeded 'Big White's Great Escape'.

If it weren't for the fun game 'Big White's Great Escape', the champion would probably have been one of these two dress-up games.

"Principal Ding, did you just call for me?"

This time, Wen Ruohan's soft inquiry was heard in the distance.

"You're just reacting now!"

Ding Yue glared at Wen Ruohan: "You're really getting into it, what on earth are you playing?"

"Heehee, it's 'Big White's Great Escape'. It's very exciting and fun, Big White's cute and thrilling adventure journey."

Wen Ruohan scratched her head and replied with a smile.

"Indeed, this game has the most votes. It seems unquestionable that the best award-winning team would be the team behind 'Big White's Great Escape'. Secretary Wen, arrange the information of the students in this team, and give it to me tomorrow."

From the current data, Ding Yue can basically judge that 'Big White's Great Escape' will ultimately get the most votes.

After all, it's already far ahead with over ten thousand votes.

Although those two dress-up games also received many votes, they were divided, so it is basically impossible for them to catch up with 'Big White's Great Escape'.

"Okay, Principal Ding." After receiving Ding's instructions, Wen Ruohan immediately went busy with it.

Three days later.

The campus game design competition held by Mist City Arts and Science University finally came to an end.

In the end, 'Big White's Great Escape' became the favorite mini-game among the students at Mist City Arts and Science University, with over 15,000 votes.

So, according to the rules of the campus design competition, the development team behind 'Big White's Great Escape' will become the best award-winning team and share the 10,000 yuan prize money.

But that's not the important part!

What's important is, Ding Yue managed to select such a great team from the game design major.

They might be able to take on big responsibilities, opening up the game field research and development for Ding Yue's Feiyue Group!

As soon as the three-day voting period of the campus game design competition was over, Mist City Arts and Science University announced the winning team via their WeChat public account—Team Pei Gou!

"Secretary Wen, let's invite Team Pei Gou to my office."

While looking at [Advanced Game Engine Manufacturing Technology] in his system's inventory, Ding Yue said to his secretary, Wen Ruohan.

"Understood!"

Wen Ruohan immediately spun on her heel and left the office to invite the team from the E-Sports Game College to Principal Ding's office.

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"Yes! Gou, we won!"

In the dorm.

Liu Lang was ecstatic because when he woke up and checked Whatsapp on his phone, he expected to see a good morning message from his girlfriend.

But what grabbed his attention was not the morning message from his girlfriend, but a notification from the university's official account.

Upon clicking on the notification, he saw that the university had announced the winning team of the campus game design competition. It was the team that made "Big White's Great Escape".

That is, Liu Lang and Pei Gou's team.

"What's the big fuss? Isn't this what we expected?" Pei Gou said calmly, sitting in front of his computer.

Because on the first day of the voting round, Pei Gou knew that their game, "Big White's Great Escape", had this award in the bag. After all, they were far ahead with more than eleven thousand votes on the first day alone.

The subsequent twelve games couldn't catch up.



| Voices of students were heard in the hallway outside the dormitory. |
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| "Is this where Pei Gou lives?" |
| Wen Ruohan came over and asked a few students. |
| "Yes, right here, right here." The students stepped aside to clear a path for Wen Ruohan. |
| This is the male dormitory. Except for some female student council members who may visit during the night to take attendance, girls are rarely seen here normally. |
| But today's visitor is Principal Ding's secretary! |
| "Is Pei Gou in?" |
| After Wen Ruohan arrived at the dormitory door, she leaned in to ask. |
| Oh my! |
| Why is the boy's dormitory so messy? |
| What Wen Ruohan saw was a rather disordered male dormitory, a four-person room. |
| "I'm here, Secretary Wen, are you looking for me?" As soon as Pei Gou heard a melodious female voice, he immediately turned his head and saw Wen Ruohan at the door. |
| Wen Ruohan is Principal Ding's secretary. Most of the second-year students in this college know that, and gradually many first-year freshmen also know that Principal Ding's secretary is named Wen Ruohan. |
| Pei Gou is a sophomore now, one of the first batch of students who came to Mist City Arts and Science University in 2020, so of course, he knows Wen Ruohan. |

As for whether Wen Ruohan recognizes him, Pei Gou is not sure.

"Pei Gou, Principal Ding wants to see your team. Hurry up and gather your team members and follow me to Principal Ding's office," said Wen Ruohan, relaying Principal Ding's message.

The reason why Wen Ruohan came to personally escort Pei Gou and his team to Principal Ding's office was one, she didn't have their contact information, and two, they might not know exactly where the Principal's office is in the Administration Building.

So, she decided to come over personally.

"Ah! Okay! Right away!" Upon hearing this, Pei Gou excitedly stood up from his chair, and then kicked the bed frames of Liu Lang, Zhang Tianming, and Xu Hong: "Get ready, we're going to see Principal Ding soon!"

Upon hearing this, Liu Lang, Zhang Tianming, and Xu Hong were all instantly invigorated.

Liu Lang and Zhang Tianming are classmates of Pei Gou, both majoring in game design. Xu Hong is not in their major, but in the animation design and production major, and is now one of the new members of Feiyue Animation Studio.

After Feiyue Animation Studio completed the production of "Super Combat Team", they recruited a group of outstanding students from the Animation Design and Production major into the studio. Xu Hong was one of them. He and Pei Gou are very close, so they live in the same dormitory.

As soon as Director Jian Zihao announced that the school would hold a campus game design competition, Pei Gou immediately included Xu Hong in his team.

"You guys get ready quickly. I'm going to call Wei and the others."

After urging Liu Lang and the other two, Pei Gou turned and left the dormitory, and said to Wen Ruohan, "Secretary Wen, there are four people in our dormitory, and four people in another dormitory. Our team has eight people in total. I'll go get them now."

"Okay!"

Wen Ruohan nodded.

Pei Gou's team had eight people in total. The other four were all his classmates from the same major, namely Wang Kaiwei, Peng Xing, Li Shu, and Chen Yunhui.

Soon, Pei Gou reached another dormitory, knocked on the door a few times, and shouted, "Wei, Xing, are you up yet? If not, get up now. We're going to see Principal Ding later!"