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Chapter 751: Don't Be Too Extreme in Love

Upon hearing Principal Ding's words, Director Xiao Wenxing was reminded of the incidents that he previously learned about, occurring at several universities within Mist City.

Moreover, a major accident had happened, so this must be taken seriously as well.

"Well then, Principal Ding, there should be surveillance at your campus gate, right? First, let's review the footage to understand clearly about what precisely happened. Then we can see if we could identify the four students who carried out the assault,"

Director Xiao Wenxing suggested.

"Yes, definitely."

Ding Yue nodded his head, and then quickly led Director Xiao Wenxing and others, toward the surveillance room of his own Mist City Arts and Science University.

Mayor Li Xian and others also followed, as leaders of Mist City, they had come to review the Mist City Arts and Science University today. Coming across such an incident, it was natural to observe the handling process.

Soon, in the surveillance room, they saw the scene that had previously occurred at the school gate.

In the surveillance video, the student from Mist City Arts and Science University who was physically assaulted walked out of the school quite normally — it looked like he was merely preparing to go out for a stroll.

However, just as he reached the plaza in front of the school gate, four male students rushed over from not too far away, surrounding Zhang Yang and began to punch and kick him.

The assault happened very quickly, only lasting about ten seconds before the four men promptly ran away. They crossed the road and then directly headed towards the Mist City Fine Arts College across the street.

Unless they were cunning enough to deliberately run towards the Mist City Fine Arts College pretending to be the college students, it was quite likely that these four men were indeed Fine Arts College students. However, they did not discount this possibility.

"Director Xiao, you saw it too, it is clear that they had planned to attack our student here. It took them barely over ten seconds; our student was absolutely stunned,"

Ding Yue turned his head and said to Director Xiao, who was standing next to him.

Upon hearing this, Xiao Wenxing checked the time recorded by the surveillance system and immediately dialed the leader of the Mist City Fine Arts College, Chen.

"Hello? Director Xiao, I heard that you were in a foundation laying ceremony for the graphene industry today, weren't you?"

"Chen, at 11:23 this morning, immediately check the surveillance at your school gate. Four students assaulted a person at the gates of the Mist City Arts and Science University then fled into your Mist City Fine Arts College. You know what? This incident was witnessed by us, even Governor Li was on the scene!"

Director Xiao Wenxing immediately urged the leader of the Mist City Fine Arts College, Chen, to check out the situation.

Hearing this, Chen was immediately startled.

It was bad enough that the assault was reported by Director Xiao of the Education Bureau, but now the incident had been witnessed by Governor Li as well!

"Alright alright, I will immediately check the surveillance!"

"Waiting for your update!"

After instructing Chen, the head of the Mist City Fine Arts College, Director Xiao Wenxing hung up the phone and said to Ding Yue, "Principal Ding, now let's check on the student who was assaulted and understand the situation better, shall we?"

"Yes, of course."

Ding Yue agreed with the way Director Xiao was handling the matter.

As they had the Fine Arts College look for the four students who assaulted Zhang Yang, they went to find Zhang Yang themselves to ask about the incident.

After arriving at the medical room of the Mist City Arts and Science University, Ding Yue, as the principal, asked the injured student Zhang Yang about the situation.

"Zhang Yang, do you recognize the four students who assaulted you?" Ding Yue asked seriously.

Zhang Yang thought for a moment, then nodded confidently: "Principal Ding, although they acted quickly by hitting me and then fleeing, I did manage to recognise one by his face."

"Recognised?"

"Yes, he's a classmate of my girlfriend," Zhang Yang continued, "My girlfriend is from the Mist City Fine Arts College, and it's quite likely that they're causing trouble for me because I've confirmed my relationship with my girlfriend."

"Oh?"

Hearing this, Ding Yue pretty much had a clue.

This might be another conflict caused by 'love.' And his student Zhang Yang, who was assaulted, is really quite handsome.

"Principal Ding, I believe it is because of this reason. After I confirmed my relationship with my girlfriend, a guy named Liu Fan was extremely angry and wanted to cause trouble for me,"

Zhang Yang recalled and he was quite sure why he was beaten up out of the blue.

He had confirmed his romantic relationship with his girlfriend and his girlfriend told Liu Fan in their Fine Arts College to stop pestering her as she already had a boyfriend.

Unexpectedly, this guy Liu Fan, managed to find Zhang Yang, plotted and beat him up.

After Ding Yue understood the course of events, he reported it to Director Xiao Wenxing and Mayor Li Xian.

Since this was only Zhang Yang's side of the story, the real circumstances would only come to light after they found these four Fine Arts College students.

Within half an hour, the head of the Mist City Fine Arts College, Chen, called Director Xiao Wenxing.

"Director Xiao, we've found the guys, they are indeed students of our Mist City Fine Arts College. Moreover, I have understood some details, the four of them share a dormitory. They admitted that they had a dispute with a student named Zhang Yang in the Mist City Arts and Science University, so they assaulted him. Director Xiao, are you and Governor Li still at the Mist City Arts and Science University? I am now bringing Liu Fan and his associates over."

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"Alright! Bring them over as soon as you can!"

Upon hearing this, Director Xiao Wenxing finally breathed a sigh of relief.

This matter was "resolved" by more than half, at least the four attackers had been found, now it was just a matter of handling the situation.

"Mayor Li, we've found those who committed the assault," Xiao Wenxing instantly reported to Mayor Li Xian, 'Dean Chen from Mist City Fine Arts College is on his way here with them.'

"Good! We must handle this matter well today!" Mayor Li Xian nodded.

Although Mayor Li Xian wasn't in charge of education, he was responsible for the entire Mist City. He had come to Mist City Arts and Science University for an inspection and had encountered such an incident. It had to be sternly dealt with.

About fifteen minutes later, Dean Chen from Mist City Fine Arts College arrived at the clinic of Mist City Arts and Science University with the students.

On learning the seriousness of the matter, the four students who had attacked Zhang Yang kept their heads down, not daring to speak.

Dean Chen relayed his understanding of the situation to Director Xiao Wenxing and compared it to Zhang Yang's account.

It was indeed as Zhang Yang had described.

Liu Fan had been an admirer of Zhang Yang's girlfriend before they were together and had been pursuing her relentlessly.

Later, the girl chose Zhang Yang, the more outstanding student from Mist City Arts and Science University, while rejecting Liu Fan.

This should have been a standard scenario in any college romance - naturally, girls would choose a boyfriend whom they liked and found exceptional.

Well, the fact was, Zhang Yang from Mist City Arts and Science University was outstanding.

As a result, Liu Fan became jealous, believing that Zhang Yang had stolen the girl he liked. The anger borne from his jealousy clouded his reasoning and he enlisted his three roommates to help him beat up Zhang Yang.

They thought it would be a quick fight, and they could flee the scene without being caught, assuming that Zhang Yang would have no choice but to swallow this "bitter pill" after the assault.

But to their astonishment, soon after their assault, the leaders of Mist City - who had just returned from the foundation-laying ceremony at the Graphene Factory Zone - and the university officials got wind of this incident.

The situation was promptly sorted out like a bolt from the blue.

Had they not been caught by Ding Yue and others, maybe Zhang Yang really would have had to bear the brunt.

"Look at yourselves, you're all grown-ups!"

Upon seeing the four students, Director Xiao Wenxing immediately rebuked them, "And you still engage in such actions? As university students, as educated and cultured adults! Shouldn't we be studying hard and improving ourselves for the great revival of Xia Country?"

Director Xiao Wenxing's words left the four of them, including Liu Fan, feeling deeply ashamed.

At this point, Ding Yue stepped forward and said to the four, "It's normal for young people to like girls, to want to have relationships. But, in matters of love and affection, one should not be extreme."

After all, the four in question were students of Mist City Fine Arts College. Ding Yue couldn't very well berate them, could he?

"We're sorry!"

In the end, the four - including Liu Fan - apologized to the victim, Zhang Yang.

"Director Xiao, Principal Ding, Dean Chen, now that the situation has been clarified," Mayor Li Xian voiced, "let's take decisive actions!"

"Good, good, Mayor Li, Director Xiao, Principal Ding, rest assured, I will handle this matter strictly!"

Dean Chen didn't dare to speak up for his students. After all, the wrongdoers were students from his college, and Mayor Li Xian had made his stance clear.

Stern action was inevitable!

The four, including Liu Fan, were shivering in fear. WTF, what was supposed to be a simple fight had been witnessed by Mayor Li, and he had made it very clear that he wanted the matter handled strictly.

Scary stuff!

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What happened today was indeed an unexpected twist.

Fortunately, Ding Yue handled it well in time, showing the leaders of Mist City that as a principal, he has considerable experience in dealing with these "routine" campus issues.

In fact, Mayor Li Xian and the others knew that such campus incidents happen every day in universities all over the world, and could only be described as everyday occurrences.

However, what's significant is that Principal Ding, did not show favoritism or react excessively, but rather focused on "education," providing lively instructions to the students involved.

Afterward,

Ding Yue quickly took Mayor Li Xian and the other leaders on a tour of Mist City Arts and Science University.

The first stop was the energy chemistry research lab, run by his younger sister, Ding Xiaoyou.

After all, this was where significant breakthroughs in the research of graphene took place.

"Mayor Li, the research equipment in our energy chemistry research laboratory has been procured from Nanyang Technological University, world-class technological equipment," Ding Yue briefly introduced.

Li Xian had heard of this before. It was even in the news at one point. But what Li Xian would never have thought was that the lab equipment procured from Nanyang Technological University would yield research results so quickly.

And such impressive results at that. This showed that Mist City Arts and Science University held boundless potential in the field of energy chemistry.

Especially that genius student named Ding Xiaoyou, given time, she might become the Polaris in the field of energy science!

"Principal Ding, in this laboratory, such extraordinary research results have been produced. I believe that your Mist City Arts and Science University will go even further in the future, flying a new flag in the field of energy chemistry," Mayor Li Xian stated earnestly to Ding Yue.

Hearing Mayor Li Xian's speech, Ding Yue immediately nodded his head and confidently said, "Mayor Li is right, we at Mist City Arts and Sciences University will certainly strive tirelessly!"

"Aside from your energy chemistry major, I've heard that the mechanical, computer science, and some of the arts majors at Mist City Arts and Science University are also quite good?"

Mayor Li Xian had learned quite a bit about the strength of the various departments and majors at Mist City Arts and Science University from the education bureau's Director Xiao Wenxing.

"Yes, our university has a number of departments and majors with great potential for development. I believe we can expect even better teaching and research achievements in the future."

Ding Yue wore a confident smile throughout.

He wanted to show this confidence to let Mayor Li Xian see the confident growth momentum of Mist City Arts and Science University. Only when Mayor Li Xian saw this would he look more favorably upon Mist City Arts and Science University and provide better support.

"Very good, aim to strive to become a top-ranking university in our Mist City!" Mayor Li Xian gave a thumbs up as he spoke.

Having received such affirmation from Mayor Li, it was a testament to Mist City Arts and Science University having established a certain status in Mist City.

"Good!"

Ding Yue nodded briskly, shouting an affirmative.

Ding!

Just after Ding Yue responded to Mayor Li Xian's expectation, a long-lost electronic note suddenly rang in his mind.

"Congratulations! The host has received the University Development Task - Mist City's Top!"

"Task details: [Mist City's Top] - The Mayor of Mist City holds high hopes for Mist City Arts and Science University, hoping it could develop into a top-ranking university in Mist City. Please arrange the development and construction process rationally, striving to become a top-ranking university in Mist City!"

"Task rewards: Reputation Points +200, University Development Fund + 100 Million Yuan, [3rd Level University Treasure Chest +1], [Master's Degree Authorization Card +10], [Doctoral Authorization Card +1]."

A new university development task suddenly appeared.

And this task's reward seemed quite generous; Ding Yue thought that this university development task should have been "triggered" by Mayor Li Xian. After all, it was about fulfilling Mayor Li Xian's expectation, allowing Mist City Arts and Science University to develop into a top-ranking university in Mist City.

What is a top-ranking university in Mist City?

Obviously, in terms of scale and strength, it must reach a top-ranking level in Mist City, at least comparable to Mist City University, Mist City Medical University, Southwest University of Mist City, and other universities.

And these universities are all national key universities. Moreover, both Mist City University and Southwest University of Mist City rank as national Double First Class universities!

In other words,

Ding Yue's Mist City Arts and Science University must at least reach a national key level, just below that of Double First Class.

This is the threshold for completing the task!

Looking at the current Mist City Arts and Science University, it can be said that it has been significantly improved in all aspects over the years, and it is no longer just a diploma mill.

Not only that, Mist City Arts and Science University is now the number one private university in Mist City.

But there is still a certain gap from Mist City's top, at least it has to have many professional master's degree authorization qualifications, or even doctoral authorization qualifications, right?

Thinking of this, Ding Yue felt that this [Mist City's Top] was also a task full of grave responsibility and with a long road ahead.

Fortunately, the rewards are quite substantial.

This time the University Development Fund was also given, one hundred million yuan, which Ding Yue had also received before, but it had been a while since the task reward included money.

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Such a university development fund must be used for the development and construction of Mist City Arts and Science University, and not diverted elsewhere.

This is not really an issue for Ding Yue, as the vast majority of his money is spent on the development and construction of his own Mist City Arts and Science University.

After all, so far, the amount Ding Yue has spent on his Mist City Arts and Science University is about twenty to thirty billion, right?

However, up to now, Ding Yue, as the head of his university, does not have his own villa or sports car yet.

These things are not that important to Ding Yue.

Living in the university's apartment is quite good, driving a decent Audi is sufficient, it is most important to build his Mist City Arts and Science University into a more powerful institution!

"Mayor Li, shall I take you to have a look at the majors?"

After Mayor Li Xian and the others had almost finished visiting the Energy Chemistry Research Laboratory, Ding Yue took the leaders to continue visiting the Mechanical Engineering and Computer Science departments, the flagship majors of Mist City Arts and Science University.

The mechanical and computer science departments of Mist City Arts and Science University are the main focus of development, and can actually reach a national key-level now, but the master's degree authorization points for the two specialized departments have not yet been applied for.

Once the application is approved, they can enroll graduate students.

Therefore, when Ding Yue was showing Mayor Li Xian these two departments, he specifically mentioned this.

"So, does your Mist City Arts and Science University's Computer Science and Mechanical Engineering departments not have master's degree authorization yet?"

"It is under application, but the results are not out yet,"

Ding Yue hastily replied.

After Ding Yue completed his last mission, he received five master's degree authorization cards, so the master's degree authorization qualifications for the five main majors of Mist City Arts and Science University have been submitted for application.

"This might take some time," Director Xiao Wenxing said at this time.

"Aren't the specialties that have established cooperative relations with Qinghua University and Yancheng University supposed to be able to apply quickly for the master's degree authorization point?"

Mayor Li Xian said solemnly: "It seems that I'll have to talk to the relevant leaders of the education official when I get back."

Since Mayor Li has a high position and is at the same level as the person in charge of education authority,

With this statement from Mayor Li, Ding Yue felt that the five master's degree authorization points applied for by Mist City Arts and Science University last time should be able to come down soon.

Since Mayor Li is here, why not make use of him?

So,

Ding Yue took Mayor Li and the others to tour around the northern part of the school, and "by the way" he talked about the intention to apply for the northern land to establish an agricultural and forestry field for the Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry.

Director Xiao Wenxing added his support for Ding Yue at this time.

Although the land to the north has been applied by the Education Department, it has not been approved so far.

This has delayed the process of the Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry to develop the north side and create an agricultural and forestry field, so Ding Yue wants to apply for the land as soon as possible.

That's why he brought Mayor Li Xian over to have a look.

"Principal Ding, has the land here been applied for? It is very important to cultivate forest fields and research in related fields of ecology and nature. It has been stated that green mountains and seas are gold and silver mountains, right?"

Mayor Li Xian pays great attention to Ding Yue's idea of creating a forestry field and enhancing the teaching strength of Mist City Arts and Sciences University's Forestry College.

"Yes, we have applied for it long ago, but it hasn't been approved yet," Ding Yue nodded and replied.

"What is going on, is the efficiency of the relevant department so low?" Mayor Li Xian was obviously annoyed a little.

Mayor Li Xian called his secretary over and then said: "Contact the relevant department immediately, speed up the approval process, as long as it meets the requirements, it should be done as quickly as possible. Since we want to support Mist City Arts and Science University to work hard to build a first-rate university in our Mist City region, we should offer strong support!"

As Mayor Li Xian made this statement, several leaders trailing behind him, including Director Xiao Wenxing from the Education Bureau, nodded in agreement: "Yes, yes, Mayor Li is right!"

Well, well!

From now on, with the endorsement of Mayor Li Xian, it seems that all future administrative procedures for Mist City Arts and Science University in Mist City will likely be much more fluent.

This is a good thing because it will speed up many of the scheduled or even earlier planned projects under consideration for Mist City Arts and Science University.

Take, for instance, the over 10,000 acres of land in the north — according to regular procedures, the approval may be granted in a few months, but with the comments and attitude of Mayor Li Xian, the permit is estimated to be granted within this month.

Then, Mist City Arts and Science University can start the construction and creation of its farm and woodland estate.

Afterwards, Mayor Li Xian got a rough understanding of the current situation at Mist City Arts and Science University, seeing how the university is still expanding while simultaneously, he also felt the strong academic atmosphere at the Book Ship Library.

Thus, Mayor Li Xian is even more anticipatory for the development of Mist City Arts and Science University.

Upon leaving, Mayor Li Xian, in front of Director Xiao Wenxing of the Education Bureau and Ding Yue, gave a brief official speech. Then, with a satisfied impression of the tour, he left Mist City Arts and Science University.

"Principal Ding, Mayor Li seems very pleased with his inspection this time. In the future, the development of Mist City Arts and Science University should be much easier, at least within our region of Mist City."

Director Xiao Wenxing informed Ding Yue of this.

Ding Yue pretended not to immediately understand and only nodded after a moment: "Director Xiao is correct."

Before this, Ding Yue's Mist City Arts and Science University only received strong support from Director Xiao Wenxing of the Education Bureau.

But now, it's different, as the highest official in Mist City, Mayor Li, is also vigorously supporting his Mist City Arts and Science University.

This undoubtedly equates to giving a boost to the social status and influence of Mist City Arts and Science University.

In fact, just the day following Mayor Li Xian's visit, the ten thousand-over acres of educational land that Mist City Arts and Science University applied for in the north was approved.

"Principal Ding, the 10,000 acres of land we've applied for to build our farm and woodland estate has been approved!"

"Principal Ding, the Education Department of Mist City has listed our Mist City Arts and Science University as a priority for key development."

"Principal Ding, official news from the Yancheng Education Department indicates that the five master's degree authorization points we've applied for have been successfully approved!"

"Principal Ding, the National Energy Department has officially confirmed that the country's first graphene solar power station will be jointly constructed with our Mist City Arts and Science University!"

In these days, Ding Yue was receiving one good news after another.

This good news spread throughout the campus of Mist City Arts and Science University, inspiring the students.

Especially the students from the five departments that obtained official approval for master's degree authorization points, they were thrilled beyond belief.

What does that imply?

It signifies that in the future, if they want to go to graduate school, they can stay at Mist City Arts and Science University.

Those who were undoubtedly happiest were students such as Tong Yihang, Liu Chuanjie, Xia Qing, Liu Tiefei, and Chen Jun who were about to graduate early.

Because after the start of the new academic year, they can directly pursue their postgraduate degrees at Mist City Arts and Science University.

They won't even need to take exams, the school directly ensured their enrollment!

And among them, apart from Xi Qing who is into quantum mechanics and Ding Xiaoyou, everyone else already has a formal job with a generous income at Principal Ding's Feiyue Group.

In the first half of 2022, the development of Mist City Arts and Science University was in full swing.

One after another, buildings of the expanded campus were gradually completed, including dormitories, classrooms, and laboratories.

The Tianfu Construction Group, along with the School of Architecture at Mist City Arts and Science University, are working together to build the 5000-acre expansion campus of Mist

City Arts and Science University. Surprisingly, the progress of the construction was ahead of schedule.

According to Dean Chen Ping of the School of Architecture, by June, the majority of the 5000-acre expansion campus is expected to be completed, which is one or two months ahead of the scheduled time.

Chapter 755: New Enrollment Reform Plan

Ever since Mist City Arts and Science University hosted the inauguration ceremony for the graphene manufacturing area and the leaders of Mist City for a school inspection, its development shot up as if it had gotten a booster.

All aspects of university affairs have been progressing smoothly.

Time flew by and now it was already June, and the first half of the 2022 academic year was just about to finish.

"Principal Ding, our academic results for this semester have seen a significant improvement from last semester," reported the director of Academic Affairs, Qi Chunsheng, in the Principal's office in the Administration Building.

"Regarding faculty construction, we have recruited a total of six professors from various universities across the country this semester, and we are seeing a gradual increase in hiring doctoral and graduate students as lecturers..."

Qi Chunsheng particularly briefed Principal Ding on the construction of the teacher team, which was a top priority for Mist City Arts and Science University.

Every year, Mist City Arts and Science University admits tens of thousands of students. With only two academic years currently in session, the number of teachers was barely enough to meet the demands.

After this semester ends, the university would have to recruit new students in September, and the number of teachers would have to match this influx.

In addition to the basic teaching staff, Mist City Arts and Science University is continually hiring more professor-level faculty members.

A long time ago, Ding Yue personally recruited a few professors.

Subsequently, Mist City Arts and Science University offered generous conditions, and as the university's comprehensive strength and research influence continued to progress, it started attracting more and more professors.

So far, the number of professors at Mist City Arts and Science University had reached double digits, with even more associate professors.

We also recruited from abroad, including a graduate from the Wharton School of Business, Director Chen Yilin of our School of Business Administration. Based on our teaching arrangements, we should be bringing in more high-quality faculty from abroad in the future," continued Director Qi.

"That sounds good," Ding Yue nodded and said with a smile: "I favor hiring more overseas Chinese teachers. As for foreign teachers, except for the English department, the others...may not be quite interested in us."

In fact, Ding Yue was not eager to recruit too many foreigners. After all, a number of foreign language teachers taught in Mist City Arts and Science University.

"Understood, Principal Ding," Qi Chunsheng nodded.

"Oh, by the way, have we considered retaining Professor Yang Kaining from the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology who is currently participating in biomedical engineering research?" asked Ding Yue when the topic of overseas Chinese professors came up, and he remembered Professor Yang Kaining from the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology.

Professor Yang Kaining's abilities, status, and influence goes without saying.

When Ding Yue initially invited Professor Yang Kaining, he had expressed a desire to return to China to continue his career.

If the strength of Mist City Arts and Science University's medical school and biological sciences were able to impress Professor Yang Kaining, wouldn't he consider staying?

Such a scenario would be amazing, especially if the professor's doctoral students leave and Professor Yang gets to stay!

"Err... Principal Ding, Professor Yang is a faculty member of the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology. He may not quite..."

Qi Chunsheng showed a confused look. However, Ding Yue merely smiled lightly and said, "Director Qi, give it your effort. Anything could happen. So what if it's the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology? One day, our Mist City Arts and Science University will surely surpass it!"

Upon hearing Principal Ding's words, Qi Chunsheng found his thoughts to be awesome, but implementing them would be relatively challenging.

Surpass the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology? How long would that take?

Fifty years?

A hundred years?

Or even longer? After all, the Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology is a world-class institution ranked in the global top ten!

Principal Ding has had bold ideas like this more than once. As one of the important leaders of Mist City Arts and Science University, Qi Chunsheng can only listen to these thoughts and not take them too seriously.

"Principal Ding, if Professor Yang Kaining and our medical school team succeed with the biomedical engineering project, we might be able to use it as a catalyst for convincing him to stay."

Thinking it through, Qi Chunsheng felt this was the only opportunity.

Otherwise, a professor from Swiss Zurich Federal Institute of Technology, why would Yang Kaining choose to stay at Mist City Arts and Science University?

"Alright."

Having given it a thought, Ding Yue found this to be the only chance to retain Professor Yang Kaining.

If the biomedical engineering project was successful, Ding Yue planned to hold a celebratory banquet.

He would use this occasion to have a talk with Professor Yang Kaining.

Believing in the power of Mist City Arts and Science University's strength, exemplified by the development of 3D bio-printing technology, he believed it would surely impress Professor Yang.

"Also, Principal Ding, after this semester ends, I will arrange for the enrollment of new students during the summer holidays. Our admission video, brochures, and other materials are actively being prepared," reported Qi Chunsheng.

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Qi Chunsheng mentioned the matter of student recruitment again.

This year, it will be the third round of admissions for Mist City Arts and Science University.

With last year's admission experience, the execution this year should be much smoother.

The first year's enrollment of over 9,000 freshmen at Mist City Arts and Science University was completed by Ding Yue and his teammates. The process might not have been very standardized, but nonetheless, they managed to "convince" a group of college entrance examination students who didn't pass.

During the second year's enrollment, Mist City Arts and Science University had gained a bit of a reputation. Coupled with the participation of Ding Xiaoyou, the college entrance exam champion and academic star of Mist City, the admissions process for the university went much more smoothly.

This year, Mist City Arts and Science University is predicted to admit even more students.

Because the reputation and achievements of Mist City Arts and Science University have taken another step forward compared to last year.

"Any plans for this year's admissions?" Ding Yue isn't heavily involved in recruitment work now. The main tasks were handed over to the Academic Affairs Office and other departments of the university, but he still needs to pay due attention.

After all.

Ding Yue hasn't forgotten what he initially said. The students are the foundation of Mist City Arts and Science University.

Only by having a large number of students can Mist City Arts and Science University cultivate up and coming batches of elite talents.

Not to mention top-notch talents like Ding Xiaoyou, Tong Yihang, and Chen Jun, just the elite talents in each field are already very impressive.

Think about it, which country, which society doesn't want more professional elites?

However.

This year, Ding Yue has a new idea to discuss with Qi Chunsheng.

"This year's enrollment plan should be around 40,000 students, divided into unified enrollment stage and independent recruitment stage. Of course, this year's main source of students is still expected to come from independent recruitment stage. During the unified enrollment stage, given the reputation of Mist City Arts and Science University, we should also be able to recruit a group of undergraduates."

Qi Chunsheng's assessment of the current situation at Mist City Arts and Science University is quite accurate.

He also believes that during the national unified enrollment stage, they can recruit a group of students who have passed the undergraduate line. These students often have stronger learning abilities compared to those who failed the college entrance exam, and it is easier for them to stand out.

Because Qi Chunsheng has data to support this.

Last year, Mist City Arts and Science University recruited a group of students who had reached the undergraduate score line during the national unified enrollment. These students, after their dedicated study at Mist City Arts and Science University, often ranked among the top in their respective fields.

"For students with excellent academic performance, those who have passed the undergraduate score line, even some students who have made the key score line but want to come to our Mist City Arts and Science University, we should actively strive for and give certain campus policy concessions."

This is the matter that Ding Yue was going to discuss with Qi Chunsheng. Since Qi Chunsheng mentioned it, Ding Yue just went ahead and said it.

His Mist City Arts and Science University couldn't always enroll failed college entrance exam students. This, in the initial stage, can indeed bring a large number of students.

But obviously, it's not a long-term solution.

Most of the students who failed the college entrance exams actually have less desire and ability to learn compared to those with better grades.

Not stupid, but low learning efficiency.

Even though Ding Yue had given all teachers and students of his Mist City Arts and Science University a BUFF effect, the BUFF effect varies from person to person after all.

The BUFF effect won't transform a failing student into a super talented academic star, unless the level of Ding Yue's Mist City Arts and Science University is particularly good, and he can exchange for a better Study Buff Scroll and totem, etc.

In any case, according to the current Study Buff, most of the failing students who came to Mist City Arts and Science University, after the influence of the BUFF and the totem, and after diligent study, could become a college student with quite good grades.

Most should be able to match the level of excellent undergraduates.

Some with a better response to the school's BUFF effect can even compete with ordinary students from key universities.

Those students who initially had decent academic performances, or those who were intelligent but did not love studying initially, could become very excellent students after coming to Mist City Arts and Science University.

For instance, the students who come after Tong Yihang, Chen Jun, and Xia Qing!

Currently, the over thirty thousand students in Mist City Arts and Science University can be basically divided into four levels.

The first level comprises of top students like Tong Yihang, Chen Jun, Liu Tiefei, Liu Chuanjie. They are geniuses who can participate in core scientific research tasks.

Of course.

Except for Ding Xiaoyou, Ding Yue's younger sister, who is an exceptional super scholarly prodigy.

The number of students in the first level is quite small, probably amounting to only a handful of students across all departments and majors in the university.

After all, their university journey hasn't ended yet and Ding Yue believes there will likely be more excellent students in the future.

The second level consists of students who are just a notch below Tong Yihang and the like. These are the backbone students.

Such as the group of students who are working on computer research under Xu Bin, excluding Chen Jun from the first level.

Also, some medical students involved in biomedical engineering, the backbone force behind the production of "A Bite of Xia Country", as well as a group of people who joined Feiyue Animation studio.

The abilities of these students may not be as outstanding as Tong Yihang and his peers, but they are impressive nonetheless. Some of them also participate in scientific research and practical training stages.

The third level includes most students with steadily good academic capabilities and performance. These are students who would be considered quite good if placed in other undergraduate schools.

This group of students is the most populous. Ding Yue estimates that at least two-thirds, which probably amounts to more than 20,000 students.

These students have a strong grasp on their professional knowledge, and can quickly and professionally take on content and tasks related to their majors.

The representatives of the third layer of students are quite distinct, such as the majority of the mechanical department students who can skillfully manufacture healthcare robot "Big White" on the production line.

For this level of students, Ding Yue has a positioning for them.

That is, if they were to join his Feiyue Group in the future, they will form the basic force of his Feiyue Group, in other words, they will be first-line employees.

Then there are the students of the last fourth level, these students are essentially incompetent.

Although the end-of-term examination failure rate of Mist City Arts and Science University is very low, Ding Yue actually found a group of students whose grades were hovering just above the pass line.

These students essentially have the attitude of average university students who kill time in college. They should be able to obtain their graduation certificates smoothly after graduation, but they may not be so professional when it comes to taking on tasks related to their majors.

In fact, this fourth level of students is not a large group in Mist City Arts and Science University, they are just a small portion of students.

With this in mind, Ding Yue felt much more relieved.

By the time these students graduate, they probably won't meet the recruitment standards of his Feiyue Group. They would likely have to enter society and suffer a harsh reality check.

"Good, Principal Ding. We indeed should reform our enrollment plan to ensure we can admit a large number of students. We could use incentives to recruit more high-achieving students with potential," Qi Chunsheng fully agreed with Principal Ding's idea and nodded, "After going back, I will implement the new enrollment plan."

"Our Mist City Arts and Science University has achieved a lot this year. Especially in the graphene matter, remember to market it well. Let's see if we can recruit more excellent students who are interested in chemistry and energy fields," Ding Yue advised.

"Sure, the achievements you mentioned that our Mist City Arts and Science University made will certainly be included in our recruitment brochure and videos. After the College Entrance Examination ends, we will promote it nationwide to attract a group of excellent college entrance examination students!"

"So, I'll leave this matter to you then," Ding Yue was very reassured about Qi Chunsheng's ability to get things done.

Knock, knock, knock!

Just as Ding Yue and Qi Chunsheng were discussing this year's enrollment reform plan, suddenly someone knocked on the door.

Chapter 757: The Sky is High, Let Birds Fly; The Ocean is Wide, Let Fishes Leap

"Please come in."

Hearing a knock at the door, Secretary Wen Ruohan, working at her desk near the entrance, busied herself with her tasks while letting the visitor in.

The ones who came in were several students majoring in Game Design at Mist City Arts and Science University.

Wen Ruohan recognized these students. If she wasn't mistaken, Principal Ding should have had a conversation with them before.

"Secretary Wen."

As soon as Pei Gou entered, he greeted Wen Ruohan with a smile.

Seeing that Principal Ding was discussing matters with Director Qi Chunsheng of the Academic Affairs Office, Pei Gou and his friends didn't dare to interrupt.

Pei Gou came today with two others, mainly because they had some news for Principal Ding.

The other two students were Pei Gou's right-hand men, Liu Lang and Zhang Tianming. They, along with Pei Gou, had taken on the task to develop the game major when Principal Ding gave them a sum of money to design a game engine.

Now, more than half a year had passed, and after days and nights of hard work, they had finally completed the creation of the game engine yesterday.

What they didn't know was that, in addition to Principal Ding's financial support, their ability to create this game engine was also attributed to a cheat code for [Advanced Game Engine Manufacturing Technology] that Principal Ding had given them.

"You guys sit first, would you like some tea?"

Seeing that Principal Ding and Director Qi Chunsheng were still in discussion, Wen Ruohan let Pei Gou, Liu Lang, and Zhang Tianming sit down and wait for a while.

After all, the tasks Principal Ding has to deal with must be handled one by one. The importance of the secretary's position at this time is evident. Wen Ruohan needs to get all the work done for Principal Ding.

"No need, thank you, Secretary Wen." Pei Gou shook his head.

Liu Lang and Zhang Tianming followed suit and shook their heads too.

On the other side, Ding Yue, who was in a discussion about this year's recruitment reform plan with Director Qi Chunsheng, noticed the arrival of the students from the game design major. As their discussion was about to conclude, he gave Qi Chunsheng a few last words of advice.

"Well, Principal Ding, I'll go back and get started on the recruitment plan right away, striving to achieve the recruitment targets you have set for this year." Qi Chunsheng said, standing up from the chair in front of Principal Ding's desk.

"Good, thank you for your hard work."

Ding Yue just nodded a little.

Qi Chunsheng then turned around and left the room.

After Director Qi Chunsheng left, Pei Gou and the others dared not approach Principal Ding without being summoned.

They had to wait for Principal Ding to call them because there might still be other matters on Principal Ding's work schedule.

"Pei Gou, right?"

After watching Director Qi Chunsheng leave, Ding Yue turned his attention to Pei Gou, Liu Lang, and Zhang Tianming sitting on the sofa.

"Yes, yes, Principal Ding, it's me. You remember me." Pei Gou hastened to nod when Principal Ding called his name.

Ding Yue then looked at the two students beside Pei Gou. He had probably met them before, but he had seen so many students that he could not remember their names immediately, "And you two are..."

"Principal Ding, my name is Liu Lang."

"Yes, yes, Liu Lang, and if I'm not mistaken, the other one is Zhang Tianming, right?" As soon as Ding Yue heard the name Liu Lang, he suddenly recalled that the other student was probably named Zhang Tianming.

"Principal Ding, you remember me too. I'm glad." Zhang Tianming nodded happily.

"The last time... was more than half a year ago, right? Last year, your game design major requested a sum of funding from the school, and I asked you to design a game engine. So, did you suddenly come to me today because the creation of the game engine has yielded results?"

Ding Yue didn't need to guess to know why Pei Gou and the others had come to see him.

Most likely, they came to inform him about the progress of the game engine creation, after all, there were hints of joy on their faces.

It couldn't be that they had made significant progress in the game engine creation, ran out of money, and came to ask for more, could it?

If Ding Yue remembered correctly, he allotted enough funding for the creation of the game engine to Pei Gou and the others the last time.

"Yes! Yes!"

As Ding Yue had predicted, Pei Gou excitedly nodded, "Yes, Principal Ding, we have completed the game engine. It took us more than half a year, and we worked overtime every day. It was an enormous project!"

"You've worked hard. I can tell. Each of you looks more haggard than the last time I saw you, bearing signs of fatigue."

Ding Yue wanted to mention this earlier. It appeared that Pei Gou had visibly lost some weight.

This was likely a clear sign of their hard work in creating the game engine for more than half a year. However, as long as they have finally made it, Ding Yue was interested to see if there was anything special about the game engine that Pei Gou and the others had created.

By rights, there should be something unique about it. After all, he had granted them the BUFF effect of the [Advanced Game Engine Manufacturing Technology] and provided sufficient funding.

At the very least, the game engine should be comparable to Unreal Engine 4 or be close to Unreal Engine 5, right?

Unreal Engine 4 is the production engine for the vast majority of AAA titles in the current market, while Unreal Engine 5 is an even more powerful product that can be considered a next-generation game engine.

The graphics produced by Unreal Engine 5 can sometimes make people wonder whether they are looking at a real-world image or computer graphics, a feat Unreal Engine 4 cannot achieve.

Although the games produced by Unreal Engine 4 also have a high level of immersion, it is easy to tell at a glance that they are computer graphics, not real-world images.

"It's not hard, not hard at all. After our team created this product, we couldn't express how happy we were!"

Pei Gou shook his head repeatedly, saying in excitement.

The faces of Liu Lang and Zhang Tianming were also full of excitement, which showed just how much they loved gaming.

Otherwise, he wouldn't have chosen to major in game design when he first came to Mist City Arts and Science University.

Perhaps many young people have the idea of designing a "perfect game" of their own, but Pei Gou, Liu Lang, Zhang Tianming, and the others have already begun to put these thoughts into action.

"So, has the game engine you've made been completed?" Ding Yue asked with a smile.

Pei Gou excitedly nodded his head and replied, "Yes Principal Ding, it was completed last night and we originally wanted to tell you then, but we didn't want to disturb you so we decided to come today."

"Ah, I see, you are here to take me to see your work, right?" Ding Yue said with his usual warm smile.

"Yes, Principal Ding, you said before that if we could construct a game engine that satisfied you, then you would heavily invest in us."

This was spoken with great anticipation by Liu Lang.

No matter how skilled Pei Gou, Liu Lang, or Zhang Tianming were, or how well they did in their game design studies.

If they don't have someone like Principal Ding behind them to fund their work, they are likely to end up working as game designers for some big company after they graduate.

And if that's the case, then the dream of designing a perfect game may never come true.

But Principal Ding might be able to make this dream come true.

Principal Ding had previously promised that if they could make a game engine he was very satisfied with, he would fully support Mist City Arts and Science University's game design program.

As long as he fully supports game design, that essentially means he fully supports Pei Gou and Liu Lang, and the rest of their team.

After all, there was the example of Feiyue Animation Studio. In that case, Principal Ding invested the capital and let everyone at Feiyue Animation Studio utilize their strengths to produce remarkable animations and comics.

And that's exactly what Pei Gou wants to realize himself, Principal Ding providing the funds for him to create a game design studio with his team, and together they joyfully design a fun game for the sake of their dreams!

Ding Yue seems to have caught onto some of their expectations and chuckled, "That's right. If your game engine meets my satisfaction, I'm happy to congratulate you on qualifying to join Feiyue Group."

"Really!"

Pei Gou, Liu Lang, and Zhang Tianming asked excitedly.

All the students at Mist City Arts and Science University are aware of Principal Ding's Feiyue Group as it's the most potent financial backing behind the university after all!

Moreover, because of excellent "graduates" such as Tong Yihang and Liu Tiefei, many students take pride in being able to work for Feiyue Group!

"Of course, because if you can make a game engine that satisfies me, it means you are talented."

Ding Yue shrugged off and told the three, "Feiyue Group, the financial backing of Mist City Arts and Science University, needs every capable student like you!"

When they heard Principal Ding say this, Pei Gou and the others were secretly thrilled!

Being able to join Principal Ding's Feiyue Group means that they are not far from realizing their dreams, it represents a wide-open stage where they can showcase their talents, realizing their vision of "free as a bird, unfettered as a fish."

"Well."

After finishing his thought, Ding Yue shrugged slightly and stood up from his office chair, saying, "Let's go. Show me your hard work from the past six months."

"Alright."

Pei Gou was pleased and also stood up from the couch, then quickly led Principal Ding to their temporary studio.

"Principal Ding, should I come along?"

Secretary Wen Ruohan saw that Principal Ding was about to see the student game engine project and wanted to go as well.

"If you'd like, you can come along with me," said Ding Yue nonchalantly.

"Hee hee, okay."

As soon as the words fell, Wen Ruohan hurriedly followed Principal Ding, meanwhile murmuring, "Don't worry Principal Ding, I won't delay handling other matters."

"That's impressive, Secretary Little Wen, your work efficiency has been increasing recently." Ding Yue was quite satisfied with her performance.

Now Wen Ruohan can do things like accompanying Ding Yue on visits while dealing with other affairs.

Her progress was quite significant.

About ten minutes later, under the guidance of Pei Gou and his team, Ding Yue arrived at a teaching building of the E-sports Game College.

The game design program is conducted under the auspices of the E-sports Game College due to the close relationship between the two.

However, the game design program covers more than just Esports games.

"Principal Ding, we have a temporary studio here which was applied for by Director Jian."

Upon arriving at the temporary studio, Pei Gou briefly introduced the place.

At this point, Ding Yue noticed that there were quite a few students in the temporary studio, presumably game-related majors, and all members of Pei Gou's team.

"Hello, Principal Ding!"

The students greeted Principal Ding cheerfully upon his arrival.

With Principal Ding's arrival, the students thought their time to shine might be on the horizon!

"Hello, everyone."

Ding Yue greeted the students warmly.

These students were the second-tier students that Ding Yue mentioned in a conversation with Director Qi Chunsheng earlier, the backbone of the game design program.

Of course, the backbone of the game design program.

Chapter 758: 996? The Era of Exchanging Life for Money?

This is a classroom, not particularly spacious, serving as the temporary workspace for Pei Gou's game design team.

In this temporary workspace, computers are the most numerous. Every single computer is equipped with the top hardware available in the market.

If Principal Ding hadn't approved their budget in the first place, it would have been unthinkable for Pei Gou and his team to use such top-notch machines to design and manufacture game engines.

"Principal Ding, we have been burning the midnight oil here and finally developed a game engine," Pei Gou excitedly told Principal Ding.

"While hard work is commendable, health is important too." Ding Yue reached out and patted Pei Gou on the shoulder, then addressed the crowd, "You all have worked hard. But as I always say, those in game design might need to work for prolonged periods of time. However, I still hope that you all can prioritize your health first."

As the principal of Mist City Arts and Science University, Ding Yue was delighted to see his students working so hard, but he didn't want them to risk their health for it.

Life is precious.

More and more companies these days have implemented the so-called "996" work schedule, constantly making their employees work overtime without considering whether their bodies can handle it.

Regrettably, there have even been instances of employees suddenly dying on their way home from late-night overtime work.

Yet those shameless corporations always argue that it's not their fault. Isn't it a glaring exploitation? They even claim that this is an era where people exchange their lives for money. This is simply outrageous!

"Thank you for your concern, Principal Ding."

Pei Gou nodded and responded, "Actually, Principal Ding, we are doing what we love. Although the process might be a bit tiring, it makes us happy and we feel content. Besides, we take breaks when we are exhausted."

These students were not employees of Feiyue Group yet, but Principal Ding was already concerned about their health.

Moreover, students who have become employees of Feiyue Group mentioned that working under Principal Ding's leadership was enjoyable.

Because the work one does inevitably aligns closely with one's interest, and most importantly, the pressure isn't as overwhelming.

Unlike the "996" or "007" work schedules commonly found in large corporations, Feiyue Group provides generous rewards to its employees after the successful completion of every project. This is something unanimously acknowledged by all the Feiyue Group members.

If Mist City Arts and Science University feels like a second home,

then joining Feiyue Group, which supports Mist City Arts and Science University, would likewise provide a feeling of being home, allowing one to experience the warmth of a corporate family.

"Alright, show me the game engine you guys developed."

Ding Yue gave a faint smile, his heart racing in anticipation.

He was curious about the quality of the game engine that Pei Gou's team had spent over half a year developing.

Pei Gou said that it was very impressive,

But Ding Yue wouldn't just take his word for it. He needed to see it and experience it firsthand to form his own judgment.

"Principal Ding, our game engine is composed of multiple sub-systems that work together to form a complex game engine system. Using this game engine system, we can design and create 2D or 3D games easily and quickly."

Pei Gou began to introduce the game engine system they had developed to Principal Ding.

Every student in the workspace had a proud look on their faces,

because this was the fruit of their collective efforts, and it was a highly advanced game engine.

As Ding Yue listened to Pei Gou's introduction, he scanned the students in the workshop.

Some had familiar faces.

Liu Lang, Zhang Tianming, Xu Hong, Wang Kaiwei, Peng Xing, Li Shu, and Chen Yunhui were students he had met in his office before.

According to Pei Gou's introduction, these students were the core technical staff in the temporary workspace.

The rest of the students were the backbone of the team.

"Principal Ding, although a game engine sounds sophisticated, it isn't. Be it 2D or 3D games, role-playing games, real-time strategy games, adventure puzzle games or even shooter games, even for a small game as little as 1MB, there is a basic set of controlling

code. Over the years, game engines have evolved into complex systems composed of multiple sub-systems."

Ding Yue listened to Pei Gou's professional introduction and nodded slightly.

He had a basic understanding of these aspects.

"From modeling and animation to light and shadow effects and particle effects to the physics system and collision detection to file management and network features, as well as professional editing tools and plug-ins, we have covered all the important aspects of the development process and finished this powerful game engine," Pei Gou explained after a pause, looking at the students. He then added, "Principal Ding, these students here are from Feiyue Animation."

Ding Yue followed Pei Gou's gaze, noticing a few students who seemed slightly familiar.

He seemed to have seen them somewhere.

But Ding Yue was sure he couldn't remember their names.

Even if they were from Feiyue Animation, Ding Yue had only visited the animation studio a couple of times and couldn't possibly memorize everyone now that the staff had grown significantly.

As far as Ding Yue was concerned, remembering Xu Jiuge was enough. After all, she was the person in charge, and not to mention, quite attractive.

"Are you in animation?" Ding Yue asked, slightly surprised.

"Principal Ding, we are actually from the game design department. We were in Feiyue Animation in the past. Since animation modeling and game modeling share some similarities, Brother Pei transferred us here," one student named Su Chaoyang replied with a chuckle, scratching his head. "Principal Ding, my name is Su Chaoyang."

"Principal Ding, this is Li Meng, Tan Zhihuan, Gao You, and Yang Li. They are from Feiyue Animation Studio. I borrowed them temporarily, hehe."

Pei Gou, in a rush, introduced them.

"There are quite many people in Feiyue Animation Studio now. Although there is a project called 'Love, Death and Robots,' they should be able to handle it."

Ding Yue nodded slightly, not saying anything about Pei Gou borrowing several people from Feiyue Animation.

He thought Pei Gou was quite thoughtful.

"Principal Ding, I personally think the lighting effect and physic engine of a game engine are very important. That is the way the light source in a scene affects the people and objects in it. The lighting effect in a game is entirely controlled by the engine. Basic optical principles like refraction and reflection, as well as advanced effects like dynamic light sources and colored light sources, are achieved through various programming techniques of the engine. The same goes for physical effects."

Pei Gou continued to introduce their game engine and walked towards the largest screen in the studio.

This screen hung on the wall, looking quite expensive.

"Principal Ding, this is a 4K resolution screen. The demonstration of our game engine will be showcased on this 4K resolution display."

Chapter 759: Game Engine Test: Don't Deceive Me with Reality

With the advancement of the era, the 1080P display screen has become somewhat outdated, still not clear enough.

So, there came the 2K display screen.

Compared to the 1080P display screen, the 2K display undeniably shows a significant improvement, with many high-end gamers now chasing after a 2K high-refresh-rate display screen.

But now, there's more than just the 2K display screen.

Display screens that are even clearer, such as 4K, 5K, and even 8K, are slowly making their appearance in the market.

The display screen Pei Gou and his team prepared to use for their game engine graphic testing today is a 4K screen.

"Pei Gou, how exactly should we test our game engine?"

Ding Yue was not very familiar with game engine testing, after all, it was not his area of expertise.

"Principal Ding, we have created a real-time gameplay scene that lasts for ten minutes using this game engine, let's show it to you now."

Pei Gou confidently finished speaking and then gave Liu Lang and Zhang Tianming a signal.

Then Liu Lang and Zhang Tianming sat in front of a computer and began to operate.

"Start the real-time gameplay scene!"

Pei Gou ordered.

A video sequence began to appear on the 4K ultra-clear display screen in front of Ding Yue.

Boom!

The sound effect was deafening. The experience was more thrilling than sitting in a 3D IMAX theater.

"Were these sound effects... simulated by our game engine?" Ding Yue asked Pei Gou.

"Yes, Principal Ding."

The explosive sound effect made Ding Yue and his secretary, Wen Ruohan, feel shocked.

Buzz!

The next second, the sound of an engine echoed and the 4K display, initially black, began to shine gradually.

Just like a person slowly opening their eyes, and what appeared on the 4K display was an airplane.

Through the super clear 4K display, Ding Yue couldn't immediately distinguish whether the plane sitting on the runway was real or a simulation.

"Are you sure these are... game graphics, not the footage of reality?" Ding Yue was amazed and thought they were too realistic.

Each frame told Ding Yue this must have been shot on a real airport runway. He could clearly see each grain of sand on the ground, and the plane was so realistic that he thought for a second that it was an actual plane.

"Principal Ding, this is a super-modern game graphic simulated by the game engine we developed. The lighting effect, sound effect, and soon to be shown physics engine too, all strictly adhere to real-life principles."

Pei Gou calmly told Principal Ding.

To develop such a powerful game engine, Pei Gou and his team had to be grateful to Principal Ding's financial support.

Of course, they didn't know the reason they were able to successfully develop this game engine was due to the [Advanced Game Engine Manufacturing Technology] granted by Principal Ding.

On the 4K display, the roaring sound of the airplane on the runway started. The sound was extremely realistic. When Wen Ruohan heard the sound of the airplane engine, she thought she was on board a flying airplane about to take off.

"Pei Gou."

Ding Yue carefully watched the real-time gameplay scene while calling out to Pei Gou.

"Principal Ding, what's the matter?"

"The game graphics we developed with our engine are almost ninety-nine percent realistic. I heard Unreal Engine 5 can also make the game graphics indistinguishable from reality. How does our engine compare with Unreal Engine 5?"

Ding Yue was curious to know.

If they could surpass Unreal Engine 5, didn't that mean Mist City Arts and Science University's self-developed game engine was the most advanced in the world?

If so, there was a massive new era of gaming market waiting for Mist City Arts and Science University to exploit.

"Principal Ding, we don't have any real testing data for Unreal Engine 5, so for now we can't compare the effects with Unreal Engine 5. However, we believe that our game engine should be slightly stronger than the Unreal Engine 5."

Pei Gou wasn't one hundred percent certain about surpassing Unreal Engine 5, but he was confident that it would be stronger.

After hearing this, Ding Yue didn't ask anything else because he already had a clear idea in mind.

He continued to watch the real-time gameplay scene.

Along with the intense sound of the airplane engine, Ding Yue could see the aircraft on the 4K display start moving.

After a short while, the airplane picked up speed, then the sound of takeoff echoed. While watching, Ding Yue felt as if he was witnessing a plane taking off at the side of the runway.

Because the graphics were so realistic, even though he kept telling himself this was a game testing scene, as he watched more and more he began to feel that this was actually reality.

The plane gradually took off.

Through the multiple viewpoints of the demonstration, Ding Yue could see the buildings, trees and people on the ground. Whether it was buildings, trees or people, all gave Ding Yue a feeling that they were real.

Chapter 760: Game Engine Test: Stop Tricking Me with Reality

Of course, the people soon disappeared from sight, the trees began to recede into the distance, and peering down, a very realistic city skyline could be seen.

Once the plane ascended to altitudes, the cloud layers were so realistic that they seemed almost within reach.

All in all, the entire process of the airplane's takeoff and high-altitude flight had such a realistic effect, it felt exceedingly immersive.

If the visual is switched to in-flight, sitting in the window seat and turning your head, you would instantly believe that you are truly on an airplane.

"Ah! Principal Ding, this is too realistic, is it possible for a game screen to be this real?"

Wen Ruohan was completely immersed in the scene, murmuring, "I suspect this is a live-action shot, don't deceive me with reality!"

Hearing the words of Principal Ding's secretary, the studio team could not help but laugh.

"Secretary Wen, true gaming in the future should give players extremely realistic visual effects, and provide a sense of reality in terms of light, sound, physics, and other aspects,"

Pei Gou briefly explained to Wen Ruohan on the side.

After listening, Wen Ruohan could not help but admire how amazing today's game engines are. She had never played these incredibly realistic AAA titles before.

If games built with this engine were used in the future, wouldn't the visuals be even better?

If she had the chance, Wen Ruohan would definitely want to try it out.

"Is today's live test footage just about this airplane taking off?" Ding Yue, watching the plane fly smoothly in the high-altitude clouds, asked Pei Gou.

However, Pei Gou instantly shook his head and laughed, "Principal Ding, of course not. There is a thrilling part coming up."

With Pei Gou's words.

Ding Yue saw that the sky began to darken as the plane flew in the high altitudes.

This darkness felt very real.

In no time, a thunderstorm appeared along the plane's flight path.

This scene felt less realistic to Ding Yue but more like movie special effects because of its complexity.

Indeed, the visuals rendered by the game engine were only movie-level, as it is challenging to simulate the real experience of a plane encountering a thunderstorm. It can only be demonstrated through a scene that looks like movie special effects.

But this was realistic enough.

The plane's flight was severely affected in the thunderstorm.

The game engine's demonstration of various physics and visual effects at this time was extremely shocking.

The next second, the video switched to a first-person perspective inside the plane. The sound of people panicking and screaming inside the plane was so real, it felt as if you were right there and even the first-person perspective's rapid and fearful breathing was vividly portrayed.

About half a minute of this first-person perspective inside the plane was shown before the video switched back to third-person, showcasing the situation of the plane in the thunderstorm region.

The more the thunderstorm intensified, the more Ding Yue could sense something unreal, a bit like movie special effects.

Suddenly!

Lightning struck the plane in the thunderstorm region!

The alarms were sounding, the plane's engine started to malfunction, and though the plane finally flew out of the thunderstorm region, thick black smoke was visibly billowing from the engine.

An air disaster seemed inevitable!

Indeed, the plane didn't manage to land safely in the end; due to engine damage, it completely lost control and dramatically crashed into a mountain.

The moment the plane hit the mountain, Wen Ruohan turned away – the scene was too realistic, too immersive, she couldn't stand such a disaster scene!

Bang!

The plane ultimately hit the mountain. The explosion was blinding, and then thick smoke billowed.

At this point, the video's viewpoint gradually receded amidst the billowing smoke and finally ended.

The entire sequence from the plane taking off, encountering danger, and crashing into the mountain and exploding took roughly about ten minutes of video demonstration.

Watching the short ten-minute game engine test video demo felt like going through a plane crash for Ding Yue. The shock resonated in his heart and took a long time to dissipate.

"Impressive!"

It took a long time for Ding Yue to speak this praise.

The game engine that Pei Gou and his team developed had excellent results. The game graphics they produced sometimes really blurred the lines between real and fake.

Just like the initial airport scene, even though there were not many dynamic graphics, it almost made people think that these were real shots taken at an airport.

However, not all scenes were this realistic. There were certain complex scenes—for example, when the plane's engine was hit in a thunderstorm. At that point, it was obvious and the scenes seemed more like movie effects. Generally, people could tell then that it was a game graphic instead of reality.

But the fact that game graphics could align with movie effects is a testament to the undeniable prowess of the game engine.

Ding Yue predicts that this game engine, developed by his students at Mist City Art and Science University, is definitely competent enough to compete with Unreal Engine 5.

"Principal Ding, if we optimize it a bit more and use an 8K monitor, I think the effects should be even better."

Seeing that Principal Ding praised it, Pei Gou stepped forward and confidently stated his opinion.

"Although using an 8K monitor could improve the effects, current graphics card technology may struggle to support such graphics running at 8K with a high refresh rate."

Ding Yue responded with a smile and a shake of his head.

Although Pei Gou's idea was good, the evolution of computer equipment technology is a gradual process.

The idea of smoothly running a game produced by such an engine on an 8K monitor might be too much, even for an RTX3090 graphics card.

"Principal Ding is right. So, we thought about it and actually, 4K should be enough. Games produced by our engine would then be a blessing for players with high-end configurations."

Pei Gou agreed with Principal Ding's statement, admitting his earlier statement was merely for show.

"Oh, by the way, have we named our game engine?" Ding Yue turned to Pei Gou and asked curiously.

"Not yet."

Pei Gou shook his head: "For now, it only has a codename, which is 0001."

"Principal Ding, why don't you name our game engine?"

"Yes, yes, Principal Ding, you should name it."

"I agree!"

"Let Principal Ding name it."

The students immediately began to tease, urging Principal Ding to name the game engine.

Ding Yue smiled and said, "Well, if it hasn't been named yet, how about we call it Feiyue Engine?"

"Nice! Since this game engine was developed with Principal Ding's generous financial support, it's part of the Feiyue Group. So, naming it Feiyue Engine makes complete sense!"

Without a second thought, Pei Gou agreed with the name suggested by Principal Ding.

On hearing it, everyone felt that the name was simple, yet imposing.

"So, our first generation Feiyue Engine targets Unreal Engine 5, right?" Ding Yue ventured.

"Well, you could say that, but it will definitely be superior to Unreal Engine 5!" Pei Gou answered, still very confident.

A moment later, Pei Gou turned to Principal Ding and asked with a serious face, "So Principal Ding ... when do we formally release our Feiyue Engine?"

The release of the Feiyue Game Engine is indeed an important matter.

Since it aims to be on par with—or even better than—Unreal Engine 5, it must make a name for itself once released.

"Before we consider a release, I have some good news to share."

Ding Yue believed the launch of the Feiyue engine shouldn't be rushed.

"Good news? Principal Ding, what's the good news?" Pei Gou asked eagerly.