

My name is Mabelle Liu, and I am applying to serve as an HCCS SGA Executive Officer, specifically applying for the role of vice president.

As of the 23-24 school year, I will be enrolled as a 9th grader in the Howard County Chinese School. My primary email address is the one I am emailing with (liumabelle@gmail.com), and my phone number is (667) 369 - 5193. My profile picture/headshot is attached below.

Here are the signatures of me and a parent as well as my personal statement:

As someone who is constantly surrounded by well-versed and socially active people in the HCCS community, I've grown to value the importance of civic engagement— especially from the youth. Generation Z will be the one that holds the most significant impact on society and its direction in the next few decades. Even within a local community like Howard County, Maryland, there is still so much potential to foster improvement and new growth. Thus, in the interest of supporting positive change that strengthens communal bonds, I would love to take my experience to the HCCS SGA Executive Officer Board and serve as one of your vice presidents.

Because I enjoy enriching communities and being civically engaged, I have numerous instances of leadership work and community service that make me a worthy candidate for this position. To start, my involvement and care for HCCS are clear. Being a member of the AAPI Youth Ambassadors Program, I am an active participant and leader in multiple subgroups, including YAP Arts, YAP Shares, YAP Environment, and YAP Advocacy. Each group has given me a variety of valuable experiences, specifically those that help communities. For example, with YAP Arts, I use my passion for Chinese dance to share and celebrate Chinese cultural heritage, hosting informational sessions and performing in events that reach both small and large communities, ranging from county to national level. With YAP Shares, I donate necessary items to marginalized groups, having co-led a project where members transferred and donated over 400 energy-saving light bulbs to the Howard County Fire Department which are dispersed to low-income and elderly families. With YAP Environment, I protect the environment through green initiatives such as roadside clean-ups and water quality testing. And finally, with YAP Advocacy, I testify in public hearings both at the local BOE and Maryland Government levels. In each of these examples, I've connected with other diverse communities while perpetually working to improve my own. Moreover, my leadership experience can also be more evidently observed in several other activities. I have served as president of the HCCS Toastmasters Gavel Club for two years, been part of the National Junior Honor Society, represented my school in the SMOB Candidate Convention as a SMOB Student Delegate for two years, and I am a member of a national varsity debate team as well as my school's SGA and SGA Executive Leadership Team. In my experience as an actively involved SGA leader and member, I have served as president and have been the lead chair on numerous projects and school events.

With my experience, I hope to further a mission of helping the community by aiding communication barriers as well as providing additional support for HCCS groups. My goals include fundraising for HCCS, building a wider network of people through outlets like social media, holding more community-building events, and creating continual communication between SGA members and the HCCS student and parental body. I hope to accomplish these mission items by serving as a vice president on the HCCS SGA Executive Officer Board.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Best,

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