**Student Profile Questionnaires**

**Brief self-evaluation/self-appraisal**

* Please use three most appropriate adjectives to describe yourself. Why?

Innovating: I always think of some new and cutting-edge ideas, and I also like to try the newest technology.

Purposive: I know very clearly about what I am going to do in the future, and how am I going to do it.

Optimistic: I usually try not to be sad and depressed after a failure, I usually overcome it with an expectation on the best scenario.

* What are your greatest strengths (unique gifts, talents) and weaknesses?

My greatest strength is that I can focus on something until it’s been done If I am really interested in it. In the contrast, my greatest weakness is that I can easily give up on something if I am not interested to it anymore.

* What values are most important to you? What do you care about most?

Being honest, because I believe that honesty measures how well you obey the social and moral values. I care about my freedom on doing whatever I want the most.

**Important Life Experiences**

Study abroad

* Did you ever study abroad? Where & When? Program description, course name and your performance. Describe how the experience affected you / changed you. Did you meet anyone or see anything that has a profound effect on you? What (experiences, interests, or goal) caused your decision to study in America? Whose idea?

Yes, I went to a camp called Explo last summer in Yale. Explo is a summer camp that welcomes people from all over the world to join a well-rounded diverse community filled with various courses. I was studying industrial design and computer science there and my performance for both classes got high remark from y the mentors of these classes. I met an Indian guy who was my roommate. He shared the culture from his country with me and I shared my country’s culture with him. I think that the academic standard of America is top and profound, I would like to learn these knowledges and bring them to the world, to help everyone around the world to be able to utilize the top and profound knowledge in America.

Travel

* How often do you travel? Who do you travel with (or by yourself)? Where have you traveled (including abroad)? Where do you like the most, why? Do you notice any cultural differences/diversity? What do you learn from cultural diversity? How the experience affected you?

Because I really like to travel around, I travel whenever I have the chance. I usually travel with my friends or by myself. I have been to all the five continents, but I still prefer my homeland China. I am a Chinese holding Japanese passport, but my heart is rooted here. That’s why I keep travelling around places inside China instead of going abroad like I used to do. When I was in Saudi Arabia, these friendly Muslims will pray when the time has come, and they will stop no matter what they are doing. I think this is a very good habit, to do something you believe in and not letting other factors to stop you from doing that. I absorbed this idea and tried not to get distracted by other things while I was studying, and it worked very well on me.

Obstacles & Tragedy & Sickness & Disability

* List significant obstacles/hardships in your life and how you deal with/overcame them. What lessons did you learn from the experience and what you would do if something similar happened in the future? How did it help you mature and grow? How did the experience demonstrate your characters or help to shape who you are as a person or as a student?

There was one time when I was working on my computer science project, I didn’t know how to achieve a certain function. I went to the websites to look for answers, but they didn’t work. But I promised my teacher to have that function in my project, so I had to lie to my teacher that the function was finished but it won’t run because of a technical problem. Although my teacher believed it, I was still guilty because of that. I learnt never make promises that won’t fulfill and never lie to the others from that lesson, and I think I won’t do them again.

* Is there any crucial turning point in your life? Describe that event.

There was one time when I made a promise that I don’t think it’s going to be fulfilled although I’ve already learned my lesson. Because I don’t want to lie again, I tried my best to fulfill my promise, made an app for my school. Eventually I did it, and by the time I accomplished the promise I made, I felt that I could do anything if I persist to do it. This is a crucial turning point in my life and this experience has taught me to never give up.

**People/Event influenced/encouraged/inspired you.**

Parents

* Describe them. What traits do you admire and give example to support these traits? How have they shaped who you are as a person? Do you wish to be like them, why? Tell us the most memorable experience you shared with them. What are their education and career background? How their background impact your dreams and aspirations? Do you live with? (grandparents, parents, guardian, by yourself)?

My mom is a persistent woman, she worked very hard every day. During the work, she was always very careful on all the details and she communicate with her colleagues rapidly. However, I don’t wish to be like her because she worked too hard. I would like to work in a more free and relaxing way in the future.

Sibling

* Are you guys alike or different, in what ways? Are there competitions between you guys? Older sibling: Is he/she your role model, why? Younger sibling: Are you a role model for your sibling, why?

I don’t have siblings.

Grandparents

* Do you live with your grandparents? Describe them. Their education backgrounds. Their job. How they influence you. Tell us the most memorable experience you shared with your grandparents. Tell us a story about your relationships with your grandparents.

Yes, I do. They are both disabled and aren’t educated, but they are kind people. My grandmother used to be a worker in a wood factory and my grandfather used to be a instrument worker. There’s one time that my grandmother fainted when I was six years old. I called the ambulance and that ambulance saved her life, I believe that is a memorable experience.

Role models (celebrity, teacher, stranger, and a character from a book, movie)

* Who are they? What do they do? What traits do these people/characters have? Why do you look up to them? What can you learn from them? How do they encourage or inspire you?

I really like a Chinese actor called WuJing. He is a patriot and he also contain lots of masculinity. I look up to him because I am also a patriot. He once said it’s not guilty to love your country. I love what he said.

**Academics**

* What is your major interest? Please state the reason for studying the major you chosen. Have you been involved in any major/career oriented activities, works or internships? Tell us your future goals and dreams. How pursuing the major you have chosen (college education) will contribute in fulfilling your life goals and dreams.

Computer Science. I chose this major because I am really interested in anything related with computer. I am currently a software engineer intern of a start up tech company. I also developed few apps and games fully by myself. I hope that I can join Microsoft one day and work there for about three years. After that I will go back to China and start my own company, once someone wanted to buy my own company, I will sell my company and enjoy the rest of my life by travelling around the world on a touring car. Computer Science will be the tool for me to work in Microsoft and start my own company.

* What has been your most stimulating intellectual experience in recent years? (research paper, independent projects, etc.)

I made an augmentative reality app on phone with Unity. This experience has really helped me to get an idea on how easy to implement some of the cutting-edge technologies are. I also learned lots of experiences that I can not learn from the classroom, like solving an annoying bug that’s caused by the Chinese windows system.

* A list of books you have read during the past twelve months. Which one impressed you most? Why and what you learned from the book?

The Color Purple

Scarlet Letter

My Antonia

Fortress Besieged

I like The Color Purple the most because is it a book about feminism and racial equality. I learned the growth of an African American woman called Celie. She completed the transition from a poor woman who ahs been abused since born to a strong and independent pants shop owner.

* Which courses have you enjoyed the most and which have been the most difficult for you? Why? Has the school environment encouraged you to develop your interests, talents, and abilities?

I enjoyed the computer science course the most because my major of interest is computer science. I think Statistics is the hardest course because it contains lots of new and unconventional concepts. Yes, the school has encouraged me to develop my interests. I made my school a “Quora” under my school’s support.

**Activities**

* Please list three most important extracurricular activities you joined during the past four years and describe them.

China Thinks Big: It is a competition that allows the participants to form a group and come up with a solution to solve a current issue. I made a virtual reality app which allows the users to explore Shanghai’s industrial buildings during the 90s. this app is aimed to recall people’s memory on the 90s Shanghai instead of forgetting it.

Software Engineer Intern: I was a software engineer intern in a company founded by one of the creators of Unity during the summer. I made a mobile game there, and I learned lots of field experiences.

GPAC: I made an app that could be run on all the platforms for calculating the GPA of my school. This project has started since eighth grade, and as the year advances, my app also gets more and more advanced. The history of this app is the history of my high school computer science study path.

**Ideology/belief/identity**

* Based on a recent local or international focused big event (political, economics, cultural or something else you believe is important), please share with us about your point of view.

Recently the US president Donald Trump has shut down the government to threat the Democrats to give him funds to build the border wall. I think that this is a very bad decision because his act is causing lots of federal workers losing their jobs. These people didn’t do anything wrong, but they had to find another way to make money because of the Donald Trump’s policy.

* Besides what you have already told us. Please describe what makes a unique individual and how these qualities can benefit our community? Or what contributions will you make to our community (considering your unique backgrounds, talents and interests)?

Willing to make sacrifices for the greater cause makes this individual unique. Because this individual is willing to give up its rights and sacrifice itself for the community maybe to save people’s lives.

* What makes you an interesting person? Please share with us any interesting event or unforgettable experience.

I always try to make myself super positive no matter how depressing I should be after certain events occurring. One time I was hit by a bike and I got multiple injuries on my face from an accident in the morning, but I still rode my bike to the school and went to the clinic for help. After I was bandaged by the clinic, I was still smiling to everyone in the hallway.

* Please share with us the moment you are most proud.

After I completed version5 of GPAC, one person donated 45 RMB to my donation account. I was so proud at that moment.

* What is the best piece of advice you have given to others, and why?

Do what you believe is the best thing to do and don’t mind others’ opinion. Because I am a supporter of Transcendentalism and I regret for not doing the right thing when I was supposed to do.

* If you are permitted a day off from school, how will you spend the day?
* I will bring my camera and a speaker to the nearest place in Shanghai that can see the sunrise from the sea. Then I will take a picture of the sunrise while playing my favorite song through the speaker. I will sit there and watch the sunrise until it ends.