

Situation: You are Sophia Lau, the secretary of the student union. The student union is preparing for the annual talent show. Read the following information and complete the task assigned to you by the SU chairperson Melody.

Email from Melody

Hey Sophia,

The talent show is coming up and we need to post on our blog to attract contestants. Could you help me write an article to promote the talent show to fellow schoolmates. Be sure to include:

- The rules of the competition (e.g. which performances are allowed)
- The timeline of the competition
- Prizes

I really want to get this out as soon as possible, so it would be nice if you could come up with something by next Monday.

Melody

Costume rulebook from previous talent shows

To facilitate performances, contestants are allowed to wear their own costumes, however, they must abide by the following guidelines in order to make sure their appearance is in line with the appropriate dress code for the academic environment of the school:

1. Contestants must bring their costumes to school and change into it in school
2. Contestants should not wear overly-revealing clothing
 - a. No crop tops are allowed
 - b. Male contestants cannot be topless
3. Contestant's clothing must not contain any vulgar language/racial slurs

Chat with Mr Tommy Wang

Sophia: Hi Mr Wong, I've been looking at the costume rules from the previous years, I think it's good enough, but do you think we need some extra rules?

Mr Tommy Wang: Rather than extra rules, I want them to send a picture of their costumes to me before the competition, so I can tell them beforehand whether it is approved or not.

Sophia: Sure, I will mention it in the article

Mr Tommy Wang: Make sure you include that people who do not meet the clothing guidelines will be disqualified, we want to give them some deterrence.

SU blog page



@SU_LVS_2023: Thank you for your participation in 2023's edition of the LVS talent show. This year's show featured some groundbreaking performances that wowed everyone in the hall. We would like to say thank you to our contestants and our guest performers. Your hard work in preparing for the performances is what made our show possible

@CM_Flop: The competition was amazing! But I think it wasn't very fair for our solo contestants. All the winner groups were groups. I loved Trinity's solo singing performance but it was such a shame she barely had any chance competing with the more stage-impressive groups. Could we split up the competition into a solo and group section next time around? #TrinityGang

@lkk_yit31: Totally agree with @CM_Flop. The group performances were of course on another level, but I don't think we should let the hard work of solo contestants go unnoticed!

Timetable for the talent show

<i>Date</i>	<i>Deadline/Event</i>
12/5	Deadline for applying to the talent show
14/5	Performers meeting @ Dance room
23/5	Talent Show Heat
25/5	Heat results released
4/7	Talent Show Final

SU Talent Show Chat

Alfred: I've been looking through some comments on the past talent shows and there was this one suggestion about splitting the competition into two sections. It seems really good, could we do it?

Clement: I think this can get more solo contestants joining seeing as the chance to get an award is much higher than before. This idea is fire.

Melody: Gotta ask Mr Wong whether we have enough show time for some extra performances.

Melody: Just checked with Mr Wong, we have an extended showtime this year so we're cooking with this idea. @Sophia, make sure you include the aims and what is being introduced this year in the article.

Sophia: Got it.

Sophia: Also should we relax the rules of the performances permitted? We've only been allowing dancing, singing and band performances for the past 8 years. Could we perhaps let people with other talent shine as well?

Melody: I think we can do that, as long as we can know what they're performing before they get on show we should be able to control it. This is a nice rule change, please mention it in your article. Also tell the contestants to state their performance (e.g. Magic show/ Singing) when they are filling in the application form.

Natalie: I looked at our budget and we have spare money to get some very nice prizes this year. Aside from the flashy trophies we're all used to, we have enough money to give the top 3 performers of each section some book coupons.

Alfred: How much?

Natalie: The champion of each section can get \$500, 1st runner-up can get \$400, and 2nd runner-up can get \$300.

Melody: Sounds great. These are some nice prizes we have this year, at least compared to the previous two.