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ASL III Basketball Game Reflection

It was interesting to observe that people were signing in ASL as easily as people talk in English. I was intrigued to learn more about the language after seeing more experienced students sign in a way that seemed professional. I also joined in on the chants that the instructors and the coordinators of the ASL classes were reciting. There were a few signs that I did not fully comprehend because they were not part of the vocabulary we covered in class, but I was still able to deduce them from their interpretations or from context clues. I felt quite comfortable in this new type of environment despite learning the language for about a year, as it was similar to the way we had to immerse ourselves during class. I also have to admit that the basketball game was not that entertaining, especially since a lot less people attended compared to last year, but it was still interesting how all types of BU students were coming together to enjoy it in different ways, which was pretty cool to look at. Considering that I can understand a lot more signs now compared to my first semester of ASL, I'm surprised and astonished to see the difference in comprehension, and I'm excited to see where else I can sign in a comfortable manner and what more words I can utilize in my vocabulary.