

Title: ■ State of the Subreddit - 7 Weeks Since Opening ■■

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Hi friends! ■

Tomorrow marks 7 weeks since the subreddit became public and we all watched SNL together. Time flies! During this time I've been less present than I would have liked and haven't been able to devote quite the time and attention that /r/ratioatblessons truly deserves to foster growth and community. For that, I'm truly sorry. Each day I continue to learn that life doesn't stop for anything. Not for \$GME. Not for /r/ratioatblessons. Certainly not for me.

I've spent the last few days combing the subreddit and getting truly caught up on the direction and administration of the subreddit. I have a few things of note to bring up.

Administrative Notes

****Flair -**** Introducing the new ****Tinfoil**** and ****News Articles**** flairs. Hopefully introducing these flairs will fill a gap that exists today in appropriate flair for posts. Flair is important to allow community members to filter down to things they're interested in reading about and contributing to. Please remember to flair your posts with the appropriate flair when posting. Feel free to [message the mods](<https://www.reddit.com/message/compose?to=/r/ratioatblessons>) if you have a question about how to flair a post, what flair to use, or if you have suggestions for flair updates.

****No hate, no bullying -**** Please remember to keep conversations civil within /r/ratioatblessons especially when you don't agree with someone or their ideas. Sometimes tempers flare and that's understandable but please, **please** do not go out of the way to tell someone to fuck themselves in posts on /r/ratioatblessons. It's treading the line on breaking this rule at best and while I have no interest in censoring people, I also don't want this subreddit to become a toxic place to contribute.

Purpose of the Subreddit & Content Direction

When I had the time to sit down and truly look through the posts I realized that a portion of the content had started to deviate from the true purpose of the subreddit. The vision of the subreddit at its inception was really to give members a haven to discuss investing/trading/stocks and anything related to the financial sector (especially in regards to investing beyond \$GME) while also focusing on the trader behind the trades and self investing. The second part of that was giving users the ability to express their thoughts, emotions, and facts through whatever creative means they wish without censorship.

I worry that if we as a community branch out beyond investing, self-investing, and trading that the content is too diverse and becomes hard to sort through for things that interest each individual user. Reddit is so big and has so many subreddits, including the ability to create your own subreddit, that I think having a targeted topic for /r/ratioatblessons is a benefit for the community. I understand the importance of exposing corruption throughout the world but personally believe that if it doesn't have firm and direct ties to the financial sector, it doesn't belong in /r/ratioatblessons since there are so many other subreddits out there that may be better related!

I've made it very clear in the past that I would keep the will of the community at the forefront of my mind when making administrative decisions and continue to stand by that, so I'm introducing a poll to gauge community sentiment on the matter and will respect the poll's results.

Poll Options & Outcomes

There are two options available for this poll. No third abstain option will be provided.

****I come to** /r/ratioatblessions ****for investing & self-investing and only want to see content related to the two. -****** If the community settles on this option when the poll closes all posts from that point forward will need to have a direct link to the financial sector or self investing (the trader behind the trade) that can be articulated if asked. Otherwise, the post will be removed from the subreddit as off topic. This is not an attempt to censor anyone and nobody will be banned for having a post removed unless it breaks a rule that is considered ban-worthy. If you're uncomfortable posting the direct link between the post and the financial sector (in the case of cryptic posts or creative expression) you'll be able to respond through modmail and the reasoning will be taken into account.

****I like the variety of content currently on** /r/ratioatblessions ****and would like to continue seeing the variety. -****** If the community settles on this option, additional flair will be workshopped and created to appropriately house discussions that are considered to be off the main topic of the subreddit. This will allow users to filter down further to see only on topic posts if desired.

Again, I cannot stress enough that this is not an attempt to censor or silence anyone. This is just simply an attempt to keep posts on topic and related to the common interest that the subreddit was founded upon.

****The poll will close in 2 days and another post will be released with further details regarding the results at that time.****

Thank you for being a part of this community! ■ The community is nothing without its members. ****If you're new here, please check out the**** **[**welcome post!**]**(https://www.reddit.com/r/ratioatblessions/comments/n7fp4s/welcome_to_rratioatblessions_please_start_here/)

Edits: Added additional new flair information.

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