2016-2017 VSA Big/Little Survey

Why Get a Big or Little?

VSA has long been known for fostering strong friendships/families. You can now be a part of that tradition! You may have joined VSA for a variety of reasons: to find people with the same heritage, to learn more about Vietnamese culture, to eat unlimited pho, or to meet new people. Signing up to become a Big or Little can open the doors for so many new friends, weekend options, and meal/workout buddies—among a plethora of other perks. You’ll have that “one person” to run to when life’s got you down, or your bothered by something in VSA (hopefully this won’t be the case too often).

As a Big, you can take a new member under your wings and show him/her everything you wish you knew when you were young. Your little can “flex” you if you live off campus and you could possibly find a napping spot between classes.

As a Little, you will learn the ins and outs of VSA from your Big. If your big has a car, you have a ride option available if you need to go to Christiansburg or need to get to Foxridge for a weekend “get-together.” Your big will be like the older brother or sister you never had.

Who can become a Big?

Preferably, Bigs are at least in their sophomore year of college or higher. They have ideally been a member of VSA for at least one semester. Possession of a car or living off campus is NOT a requirement. Bigs need to be open, welcoming, and nurturing—ready to show the next generation of VSA members what VSA and family means.

Who can become a Little?

Littles are new members of VSA and/or older members that do not already have a big in VSA. Littles do NOT have to be freshmen. We’ve had cases in which the “Little” is older than his/her “Big,” which may seem awkward at first, but this experience is what YOU make out of it so age shouldn’t matter. VSA’s Big/Little Program was designed so that new members or members who were not active in the past, can now have someone more “experienced in VSA matters” to show these new members the ropes and bring them to meetings and events.

***Please send completed surveys to*** [***lordnick@vt.edu***](mailto:lordnick@vt.edu) ***by September 25th, 2016. Completed surveys should be sent as an attachment with the subject in email as: “FirstLastname\_Big” OR “FirstLastName\_Little” AND document renames in the following format: “LastName\_Big.doc” OR “LastName\_Little.doc”***

**Big/Little Application 2016-2017**

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| Name: | Year: | Birthday (MM/DD/YYY): | |
| E-mail Address: | Hometown: | | |
| Phone Number: | Tech Address: | | T-Shirt Size: |

What is/are your major(s) and/ minor(s)? Please indicate which one is your major and minor.

Why did you choose your major/minor? Is there anything within your major that you want to specialize in and why? (If not, what is your favorite thing to learn about?)

How would you describe the way you dress (favorite type of clothing, places to shop, etc)?

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What is your biggest pet peeve?

What are some of your favorite kinds of food and/or drinks (snacks, restaurants, dessert, fast food, etc)?

Briefly describe your high school experience. What was your persona? Were you involved in student government or community outreach organizations? Did you play any sports? Music?

Briefly describe what family means to you.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

What were some of your favorite VSA events in the past year(s)? If you’re a freshman, what kind of events would you like to see or are you excited for?

Describe your ideal little/big?

If you are applying to be a big, how many littles do you prefer?

What is your preferred method of communication?

1. Texting
2. Phone call
3. Facebook messenger
4. Other:

Please provide a picture of yourself that shows you in your best light! Either doing something you’re good at, passionate about, something funny, at a place you love, etc.

***Additional Comments (OPTIONAL):*** Do you have any specific requests for your Big or Little? (e.g., name of someone you already have in mind, gender, major, older or younger, specific personality traits, etc)