



all hyped- from home

up

Pep Club Exec uses social media as a replacement for assemblies in order to encourage school spirit and pride

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yeah
“YEAH”
chain started
after Pep
Club posts
video of
touchdown

Hyping up the crowd proved more difficult than in previous years, but that didn't stop Pep Club from doing it. Starting off with 593 followers on their Instagram page, senior Tyson Sheets managed to get everyone's attention with his vintage videos in a socially distant manner.

“The 1989 Senior Farewell Video is what really got me looking into old cameras,” Sheets said. “I thought it looked really clean and so did everyone else so I thought I would try and replicate that as best as I can.”

After buying the camera from a local Savers, the first Pep Club video filmed with it was the “Full House Intro,” which left students excited for more videos.

Not only has @smnpeclub delivered a bunch of followers, loads of positivity came with it. Students were filling their comments.

“The reception has been nothing but positive,” Sheets said. “People really like what I'm doing with the videos.”

Pep Club President Glory Obi enjoyed the many other perks of being in the organization, but missed cheering on the fall sports since only relatives were allowed into games. This was her second year of being a part of the Pep Club board, after being Pep Exec last year.

“I love that we get to lead the student section in chants and support our school,” Obi, a senior, said. “It's a ton of fun and I always lose my voice after games because we shout so much but I still love it.”

Pep Club Vice-President Luke Cramer found it harder to appear for games and cheer for the crowds.

“In previous years we attended games and got the stands hyped up and loud but now with covid we

find it tricky since we can't attend games,” Cramer said. “We still make super fun videos for the student body and we try our absolute best with what we have.”

The year started with little organized pep as Pep Club was not allowed to host fun events for the school as they did in previous years. This frustrated the leaders.

“We would have had so many fun events for the school,” Bell said. “This year would have been one of the best for Pep Club.”

A Homecoming bonfire was going to be held, after being canceled due to weather concerns in 2019.

“But then covid hit and we couldn't have large gatherings. We also wanted to hold our second annual Tie-Dye night, for tie-dying Pep Club t-shirts,” Obi said.

Due to covid complications, it was harder for Pep Club officers to adjust to the new normal and find ways to get students to embrace their school spirit. Their Instagram page gained more than 200 followers in two months.

“I think because of videos I've made the Instagram page is one of the best ways to reach people, maybe ever,” Sheets said. “It's so popular right now that other Shawnee Mission North associated Instagram accounts regularly ask for shout-outs and for us to share their stories because they know the Pep Club Instagram is by far the most popular.” *story by peyton cook*

“Social media has been crucial for us this year. It's been the primary way to communicate with students and the community, and one of the few ways we've been able to build school spirit.”
Kate Miner, Club Sponsor

what's
your **'80s** vibe?

With an 80s theme this year, Pep Club shares their favorites from the decade

Conner Bell, 11
Top Song: Temptation
Artist: New Order
Go to Accessory: Track Suit



Tyson Sheets, 12
Top Song: P.Y.T.
Artist: Michael Jackson
Go to Accessory: Parachute Pants



Pep Exec Officers left to right: seniors Aubrey Bell, Luke Cramer, Glory Obi

