LET'S GET THIS PARTY STARTED: USING THE LIBRARY AS SOCIAL SPACE

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GAME NIGHT
AT THE
LIBRARY

WHAT WE WILL COVER TODAY

• IMPORTANCE OF CREATING A SENSE OF BELONGING
• HOW COLLABORATIONS MADE THE EVENT A SUCCESS
• RESULTS, LESSONS LEARNED AND FUTURE PLANS
WAYNE STATE AT A GLANCE

• One of the nation’s 50 largest public universities, with Michigan’s most diverse student body.
• Nearly 350 degree and certificate programs in 13 schools and colleges.
• Annual research expenditures of nearly $214 million.
• More than 400 student organizations.
• Growing campus life

ABOUT US
Belonging, a growth mindset and personal goals and values are the top three indicators of student persistence and success, particularly for underrepresented minorities and first-generation college students.
SURVEY
• 38% specifically stated the words community or meeting new people

LESSONS LEARNED
• You just have to ask! Make the students part of the planning and the process. Use and build relationships!

FUTURE
• Outreach to programs and services serving underrepresented student populations
• Sponsorships, collaborations with student gaming orgs and local game store

EVALUATION, LESSONS LEARNED AND THE FUTURE
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