Ever Heard of Galentines Day?

A friendly celebration of love and friendship amongst female students on Lincoln's Campus.



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Valentines Day is approaching; anxiousness may be in the air. You may be wondering will you receive something for Valentine's Day. You may be okay with not receiving something this day could be the least of your worries. As for Lincoln's campus, celebrating this day of love is very popular amongst the students. Whether that is through the organizations who sell candy grams, raffle baskets or the dancing and modeling organizations who host sexy dance and heel classes Valentines Day is heavily celebrated.

In recent years, the term "Galentines Day" has been popular amongst females in celebration of friendship, love and appreciation. As it pertains to females at Lincoln, there are usually events and a brunch catered toward women appreciation rather than love in the

perspective of receiving a gift from a significant other. "I'd prefer going to the heel classes, and events that give me a boost of confidence around this time of year, rather than expecting a candy gram and not receiving one," says Makaylah B. Feeling loved and empowered within the females around you and within yourself is very important during a time where many females may look forward to something from someone they love.

Let's talk about the ladies who have a special someone on campus. Nya J says, "Even though I have a boyfriend doesn't mean I don't get anxiously excited over Valentines Day, I look forward to receiving the nice, kind gestures my boyfriend has done for me." Single or taken the two weeks leading up to February 14th may be a little suspenseful for all females.

Since being on campus is such an intimate community, it can be difficult to not have a care about Valentines Day. For two weeks straight the campus is showered in different advertisements and ways of celebrating this day. It could be overwhelming to those who genuinely don't want to participate.

"Before Galentines Day celebrations I wasn't a fan of participating in events, now since events are more single female friendly, I enjoy participating" said Aziana B. Making Valentines Day events on campus more fun and engaging for females rather than limitations on events that won't appeal to a lot of females is a good gesture for organizations who are looking for a good event turnout.

Since males are typically expected to shower females with gifts and love, what do the guys on campus think about Valentines Day? Andre A says, "I enjoy making my girlfriend feel special, on campus especially since she'll be around other females who will be celebrated, the gesture of making her feel good is important." The pressure males have of not wanting to disappoint their significant other on a day that is all about love can be tricky. Finding the balance

of doing something to make a female feel special and appreciated amongst everything else that goes on during Valentine's Day season on campus. Not only is there pressure of making your girlfriend feel special amongst other females on campus, but you also have to consider her Valentine's Day may include the surprise you give her compared to how she may celebrate with her friends or at events.

The female community on campus is beginning to understand there is more to Valentines Day than being showered with gifts and love from a significant other. Although, it is traditionally celebrated in a very intimate way Galentines adds more to the day than just love. Cherishing your friendships amongst other females on campus make this time very uplifting and fun for the campus community. Lincolns commitment to celebrating Galentines Day is a way for all females on campus to feel celebrated and appreciated without the worry of will anything be done for them. Being able to engage in activities that require interacting, engaging and celebrating love in a non-traditional way is one way to bring the female community closer on campus.