Marketing & Awareness Plan for the University of Michigan H.A.I.L. Application



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Market Research

61% of students have never used the application 39.8% of students learned about the app at Orientation

21% of respondents check in at Men's Basketball

Data based off survey distributed to 100 UM Students in Jan. 2019



Other Schools

Power 5 schools like

- University of Southern California
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of Wisconsin
- Auburn University
- University of Texas

Have an app similar to ours, but the majority of the students don't use the app after it's downloaded.





Proposal

Digital ticketing on the app

Increased Social Media Presence

Market the New Accounts





Digital Ticketing

- All student tickets to U-M athletic events will be digital on the H.A.I.L App
- When a ticket is scanned, it will automatically check that student into the event
- Increased downloads of the app if this is the only way in which student ticketing is available
- Schools with digital ticketing: Kentucky, Texas A&M, Pitt, Bowling Green







Advantages of Social Media

- Look forward to winning cool prizes by attending sporting events
- Keep fans fully up-to-date on what events are coming up
- Offers more, frequent updates
- More interactive and effective than email
- Higher engagement



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Instagram Account

- Make app an interactive experience with Instagram stories
 - Vote on preferred prizes
- Creative way to present prizes
 - Engaging videos with players
- Features of the account
 - Weekly events with giveaways attached
 - Wallpaper Wednesday
 - Story highlights



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Snapchat Account

- 186 million daily users
- 77% of college students use Snapchat
- 94% of American young adults aged 18-24 use Snapchat
- Opportunity within the app:
 - Filters for regular games (\$40-\$50)
- For marquee matchups:
 - Sponsored posts between stories
 (\$5k \$10k)
 - \circ Posts on front of discover page (\$5k \$10k)





(Snapchat, 2018) (Mashable, 2014) (ClickZ, 2019)

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- Tabling in Crisler, other Athletic arenas/stadiums, Diag, Ugli

 Follow for a prize
- Tag 3 friends, follow the app, chance to win prizes
- Announcer at games tells fans to follow account
- Sponsored posts on Instagram feed







Future Vision

- The account will be successful if...
 - We raise student attendance at events
 - Students gain awareness of the new check in system
 - We have a substantial social media presence
- Finances Much like the Braves model, we will save money (reduced printing and postage costs) upwards of \$60,000
- App redevelopment and maintaining costs around 15% of original startup cost





