

The first picture represents Fay's talk, one of the numerous panels where FIP leaders shared their experiences, mistakes, and takeaways with us, and made me feel way more prepared and confident to embark on the challenging journey that is freshman year. The second picture reminds me of all the important friendships I formed with very caring people I still see every day, and thanks to whom loneliness is never a thing and Harvard truly feels more like home than home. The third picture is the perfect embodiment of how all of us felt appreciated simply for who we are, and were encouraged to preserve every aspect of our identity that makes us unique. Last but not least, diversity was one of the main points that set FIP apart from other experiences I have had here, as spending time together with wonderful people from so many countries allowed me to learn more about the world in a few days than I have throughout my whole life. For all these reasons, I am 100% confident that my transition to college would have been way less smooth without FIP, and that I would not be feeling as supported and loved as I do while writing this.



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