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After our drive, we arrived at our hotel. We decided to get some dinner before we rested for our big day ahead. For our first day, we headed to Harvard University! Yes, the home to the famous Crimsons: Bill Gates, Natalie Portman, and the man of the hour, Mark Zuckerberg. The students got to take a picture in the famous John Harvard Statue, touching the famed left boot. We got to experience the campus with a current student guiding us around. We spent our last hours exploring Harvard Square, finishing the day with some ramen before returning to the hotel.

We started our second day by visiting the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, known as MIT. We spent a few hours exploring the scenic campus by the Charles River. Afterward, we headed to the coveted Prudential Tower, overlooking the beautiful view of Boston from the 52nd floor. Then, we stopped by a Cheesecake Factory before getting some rest for our final night.

Overall, our trip to Boston gave us a much-needed break as the cold settled in. It was an enjoyable experience and contributed to our academic curiosity and growth. We look forward to gaining more knowledge and insights from valuable experiences like this on future trips!

COLLEGE TOUR - BOSTON

Boston, often referred to as the City on a Hill or the Athens of America, was the town the dorm students got to visit for January's local activity. The students left the dorm at noon, embarking in our dorm's van as we headed for Boston. The 6-hour drive didn't feel long at all, as the students got to stop to eat and were accompanied by singing karaoke the whole way there. We all notably enjoyed how we were able to sing songs in each other's languages; it felt like we all came and grew up in the same place.





WHAT IS HAPPENING AT CEC



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sharing the joy of December, we held a Christmas concert in the PAC, where students played various instruments such as violins and flutes, and the chorus students presented wonderful songs with their beautiful voices. The concert was performed under colorful lights with a variety of musical instruments. The students' enthusiastic performances and outstanding musical talents surprised the audience, and the chords of the chorus

team touched everyone's hearts. Through this concert, PAC was filled with the Christmas spirit, and the students' enthusiasm and hard work paid off successfully. Through these cultural events, students were given the opportunity of cultivate their artistic sense, imporve their performance skills, and realize their potential. We look forwrad to continuing the development of student' creativity and artistic capability.

DECA COMPETITION

Exciting news this month, as two of our dorm students, Michael Morino '24 and Quan Thomas Nguyen '25, qualified for states! Having co-founded and led the business club in school, they went ahead and beyond and decided to start a DECA chapter at the school as well. Starting the club proved a great decision, as the boys (and Mika!) got to participate in the DECA's District 12 round. They ended up qualifying for states despite it being their first year competing. Michael placed 2nd for Principles of Finance, while Quan placed 4th for Entrepreneurship. A kind congratulations to everyone involved!

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