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Not another class war!

High Five

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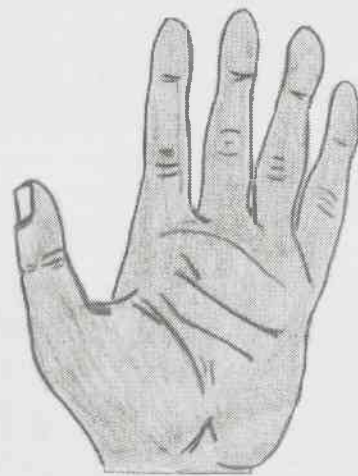
As a proud member of the finest class to step foot on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (in case you're in doubt, I'm talking about the Class of 2005), I have yet to understand why there is so much hate directed at us. I mean, so what if "it's the whole hand"? For our class, that makes it better. We can wave at our friends, give somebody the hand, and represent our class all at the same time. It's like killing three birds with one stone.

In addition to "the whole hand", the freshman class has been representing at every event. To put it simply, the Class of '05 rolls deep (and I do mean deep). Can you honestly tell me an event where we haven't been present? Our enthusiasm for being here is evident in the fact that we still attend Great Hall parties on a regular basis (unlike most of our upperclassmen counterparts).

After talking with some of my classmates, I've heard many different reasons as to why we are the best. A friend of mine, Jayla Chavez, told me, "Our class is smarter, better looking, and just

plain kosher." While I do tend to agree with Jayla, I think I agree most with LaTosha Parker who said, "We know a lot of people and we have totally gotten involved in the BSA. Our talent show was hype, and we represent at all the events." That

said, I think I've made it known as to why the Class of 2005 is the best. Sure, we lack some of the experience and expertise that our fellow upperclassmen have, but that's part of what makes us, as well as our time here so special. Keep in mind that as you hate on us, you too were once in our position: the new kids on campus who don't really have a clue. Also...while you're so busy hating us, some of you forget that there is the chance that you could slip up and become a member of the Class of '05. To all of my wonderful colleagues in the Class of '05, I want to thank you for making our class the tightest one ever.



I Can't Hear You

By Malinda Hogans

'04! Oh wait, I think my face has just been cracked. Yet again I put my 4 fingers up in the air, proudly shout '04!' and look around me to check out our class' representation, but to no avail I seem to be the only one tryin' to represent. I mean really, where

is '04 at? We were all hype when it came to being the Class of 2000, but we got to UNC and it just all went down "the hill". Now I'm gonna keep it real, '02 well it's time for them to bounce (you know I luv y'all); '03 is straight up hype; and '05 is rollin' deep with the whole hand. Can '04 please get it together? But that's not why I wanted to write this. I am tired of everyone disrespecting '04, but I can't even rightfully be mad because it's pretty much '04's fault. Now during the Homecoming Stepshow this



year a miracle occurred, '04 was actually tryin' to represent, and while I should probably be overjoyed, I'm not. Why can't '04 represent at all functions, not just ones where they're sure to be seen? I've got much love for my fellow '04ers but I refuse to be disrespected. Now I'll give '02 and '03 there credit, they have laid a foundation by "leading the way," but what good is a foundation that is not built upon. '04 has already begun to fill the positions that '02 and '03 will soon abandon. In a way I have to give my class their credit, because although it may not be blatantly obvious, '04 is doing great things. We have accepted the legacy that has been left for us. We have accepted this legacy with so much pride that we plan to do everything bigger and better than those who came before us. So to those "mighty" seniors and those "over-excited" juniors need to respect '04, you did recruit us so obviously you knew we would "take care of business." To the unstoppable Class of '05, remember that '04 is continuing a legacy that will soon enough be your own, and that you shall learn from us as we have learned from our "elders." My last words for '04 are just a few reminders. Don't forget that it wasn't too long ago that the buzz was all about the Class of Y2K; we were the ones who were going to take the world by storm. Our title has changed slightly, but we are still supposed to be the first wave of major change. So the next time you see '04 being disrespected don't stand and stare like that's not your fellow classmate, stick those four fingers up in the air, proudly shout '04, and then look around and realize that we have just as much voice and power as any other class on the yard. '04!!!