BBG Separates: Your BBG Connection

Date, Time, and Length | Chapter, Community
Location | Cost | Registration Link

Outcomes

What will people do, say, feel, or know as a result of attending? Consider when this falls in your calendar and what your community needs from this program.

- Build community with fellow BBGs
- BBGs feel inspired to kick off their BBG journey and set goals for their BBG future
- Explore their connection to BBG through art

Audience

Check your calendar to look at what happened before and what is happening after. Think through who you want to see at your program and set goals that you can work to achieve.

Target Audience(s):

- BBGs

Participation Goals

- Total Attendance: #

Support

Whether you're a first time or frequent planner, it's always helpful to look through resources for tips and inspiration. Message or email the International S'ganim for extra help.

- Plan Inclusive Programs
- Review Community Agreements
- Apply for Funding (Gamechanger Grants)
- Create an Event Promotion Plan
- Build a Prospect List
- Complete Asset Mapping
- Start with The 5 Ws of Programming

Overview

Map out the basic flow of your program here. Include what you want to do and how long each part will take.

- **Introduction** | 10 minutes
- **Tie Die Activity** | 20 minutes
- **Writing to Yourself** | 15 minutes
- **Closing** | 10 minutes

Environment and Setup	Supply List
Does it relate to the topic? How does someone feel when they enter? What will engage participants? Think about lighting, music, slides, furniture, where "front" is, etc.	List out your supplies and where you'll get them. Include any other relevant information such as cost, usage, and quantity. Use the Program Budget Sheet if you want to get specific.
• Have tarps set up for BBGs to sit on • All materials pre-set, dye set out • Ensure there is enough space for BBGs to sit for tie dying, clean up, and letter writing	• Tarps • Blank white t-shirts • Blue, purple, pink, yellow, green, and red shirt dye • Paper • Pens

Hosting

Hosting is ensuring your target audience(s) have a great experience from beginning to end. Consider what needs to happen before, during, and after the program to ensure your outcomes are met. Here are some helpful tips on how to host.

- Before the Event: Invite participants to the event and ensure participants of all abilities can participate
- During the Event: Welcome participants in, check in with participants throughout the program—ensure all participants feel included
- After the Event: Follow-up with participants, follow-up on the letters they wrote to themselves

Outline

Script and Directions *Please explain in as much detail as possible. Don't forget to practice!*	Supplies *Add links if necessary.*
Opening **Leader 1:** Hi everyone! Welcome to our separates. Right now is a moment to find your BBG connection. To bring us together as BBGs. *For the opening, insert your own BBG journey! Share about your experience in BBYO—what made you join, what made you stay, and your "why," what about BBG is so meaningful for you?*	
Main Activities **TIE-DYE** *Split BBGs into groups of five.* **Leader 1:** Take a moment to introduce yourself to the BBGs around you. Go around in your groups, introduce yourself and share your first impressions of BBG.	

Leader 2: Take a few minutes to discuss and make sure everyone has an opportunity to share.

Give 5-7 minutes for discussion.

Leader 1: Thank you all for sharing! Whether you joined BBYO in 8th grade and have been here for four years, or this is your first experience with BBG, I am so glad we all get to experience you building your connection to our sister and siblinghood together.

Hand out t-shirts and elastic bands.

Leader 2: Now, we're going to explore BBG's interconnectedness. In a moment, we'll hand out blank t-shirts and elastic bands. We are tie-dying! On the shirts, you are going to tie elastics around different areas of the shirt — don't be nervous if you've never done tie-dye before. We're here to help!

Give 3-4 minutes for everyone to tie their shirts.

Leader 1: We'll read a few prompts that might relate to your BBG journey. If you connect with one, you'll dip your shirt into the colour of dye that corresponds with the prompt. Once you're done, you'll have a visual representation of your BBYO journey up to this point.

Any questions?

Prompts:

- Blue: BBG makes you proud to be Jewish
- Purple: You've made a best friend in BBYO
- Pink: You've been inducted at the chapter or council/regional level
- Yellow: You have a sibling in BBYO
- Green: This is your first international/regional/chapter event
- Red: Red is the color of BBG—BBG has given you a home

Leader 2: Look in front of you. This sheet has the beautiful color scheme of the BBG that you are a part of.

Leader 1: Every shirt will be different because that is what makes BBG so special—each of you is different.

Leader 2: BBG is such a special place that is so much bigger than ourselves. Look around the room. Once you're a BBG, you can be whoever you want to be, and you'll never be alone.

LETTER WRITING

Leader 1: Now, we are going to take some time to reflect. We are going to hand out paper and pens. Please take the next few minutes to visualize your next couple of years. This piece of paper is yours to design. You can write a letter to your future self or create a vision board of goals you want to achieve in BBYO.

Hand out paper and pens. **Leader 2:** How do you want to spend your time in BBYO? Will you attend conventions? Apply for chair positions or run for chapter board? Will you come to events and meet your future best friends? Will you be part of a supportive group that you can always rely on? Will you meet people from across the world at summer experiences? Find a passion that will last for the rest of your teenage years. **Leader 1:** Take ten minutes to reflect, think, and write out your hopes and dreams for the rest of your time in BBG. *Take 10 minutes to let participants write*. **Leader 2:** Read over what you just wrote. Hold onto these letters. In a few months, a couple of years, when you graduate, reflect on how things turned out. **Leader 1:** We're always here if you need us, and we can't wait to hear how things go for you!	

Closing **Leader 2:** The possibilities for your time in BBG are endless. **Leader 1:** We can't wait to watch everything that you do. *Move into We Pledge to Thee.*	

Reflection	Follow Up
At the end, meet with the planning team to debrief how it went, celebrate, and determine how to improve next time. If you can't meet right away, make it happen soon so the details are fresh. Use the **Evaluation Form** to write your thoughts.	Make a plan to reach out to all teens (members and prospects) who attended your program. Say thank you, see if they have any ideas or even want to help plan the next program. Be sure to invite them to the next event on the calendar!

👋 **Did you run this program?** If yes, please share your feedback so we can improve this write up!