

People dont like strivers cause

Nobody wants to interact with the top players in the game. Half the people I talked to while I played strive would constantly comment on how “I don’t know if I want to play this game because I get good then what, I can only play with xyz?” (tempest no longer competes so ill say he was mentioned quite a lot). I had some friends who went out to a massive dinner with majority strive top players at the time ex Umisho Tempest (major top 8rs at the time) likes and they literally could not have a conversation outside the topic of strive, said there was nothing else for them to talk about other than strive you couldn’t have a real conversation with them. They notoriously are gatekeep-y and clique-y, they thought because they were better so they didn’t have to interact with ‘worse’ players and stuck in a group the whole time, if you ever went to a strive major in NA you’d see a group of like 7 of them at a time where they wouldn’t talk to anyone else all the time. Another anecdote is someone was playing a top player (normal) and mid set a different top player comes up and says “play me right now, idc if ur in a set, play me or i’m not gonna play u ever again” entitled stuff and throws a fit before he gets shut down and **everyone involved stopped playing** because of how weird it was.

Strive is a bad game that doesn’t teach you any rational fighting game logic, its made for gamblers and a very very specific playstyle that just holds almost no weight in any other fighting game, breaking your strive habits is like stopping yourself from drinking alcohol. I can say with certainty every game I played after strive for years I played horribly because of everything I learned from strive. All this is fine, you can suck at fgs and be a cool fgc member, the problem is how often intermediate strive players comment on literally any other fighting game and say blatantly wrong things while having their gameplay look like hot ass. Its frustrating to so many people and mfs cannot stop themselves from yapping. There’s a strive player in every single fg’s twitter chipping in with the most abysmal takes on the planet daily, most people who don’t play strives exposure to strivers is just this, terrible takes clearly from someone who has no idea what they’re talking about with extreme confidence.

Strive players are literally kids. I don’t know if nobody else was heavy on the internet as a kid but NOBODY likes interacting with anyone under like 24 on the internet it has always been that way you’ll literally always get shit on for it and the older you get the more you understand how justified they are and how annoying these kids are, like this fucking dogshit tweet. Half the people I know that read the Rediamnot situation said “Man, this is just normal highschool drama stuff. Clearly they just don’t know how to engage with a relationship this is classic horrible inexperienced behavior.” But in the strive community, surrounded by thousands of other kids who don’t know how relationships work, the shit blew up to an insane proportion where you have nutjobs in the EU spreading misinfo for fun and people calling in fake restraining orders. Then you have whiny children who can’t see perspectives other than their own. Disagreement must be some form of harassment, theres phobias and bigotry hidden behind the shittalk, etc etc. Blood rushing to their head 0 way you could have a reasonable conversation with them so why bother just point and laugh at them. Its all due to straight immaturity, inexperience with real situations so they don’t know how to handle it and make a fool out of themselves off cooldown.

Then theres the strivers that shit on older gears and say strive did xyz better. That annoys gear fans because its literally their fuckin series for decades.

Or the people who can only top 8 regionals or their locals with massive egos, they're everywhere and so god damn annoying. Ego maniacs around every corner in strive.

Then people who, like me, look at UMISHO COMPETING and can't understand how its even happening??? Of COURSE they'll get shit for it?

Theres a million other things someone might hate on strive too thats completely valid, but there's no Strive Hate Committee where everyone agrees on why the FGC at large hates strive. Of fucking course everyone has some random ass reason to hate on it cause everyone is their own person no shit nobody is agreeing on all fronts and no shit the game that has bridget attracts transphobes throwing their dogshit takes into any form of strive hate like they're apart of anything else. The reason I hate strive doesn't have to align with ANYBODY else's reasons on hating the shit but anybody that has any reason has some moron tweeting this about it and getting the support of people who have been harassed by losers on twitter somehow making **them** a villain for just hating an ANNOYING ASS PLAYERBASE.



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Its a dog whistle

Mostly cuz strive has a large queer player base.

There is genuinely no other legit reason and anything they try and tell you is bullshit