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RATS!!

West Quad:

Shorney and Smith: Completely overrun with rats. Like NYC sewer sized rats. Curtis East and West: Also overrun with rats, but the domesticated kind.

East Quad:

Crawford: Mutated guinea pigs who have escaped Olin's labs.

Shepardson: Wild gerbils who somehow escaped the deserts and made their way to Ohio. Shaw and Sawyer: Pack rats. Only exist to cause chaos and destruction.

Beaver: I mean...it's in the name.

Huffman and East Hall: Campus squirrels who figured out Huffman dining exists and that they can easily gain access to it.

North Loop:

Morrow and Schaff: Lots and lots of kangaroo rats, but for some reason they only want to stay outside...

Beta House: Flying squirrels, but only because of the cool dragon crest they have.

Taylor, Preston, Chamberlin and Moshier-Huchison: Octodontidae. Never heard of them?

Yeah, me neither.

South Quad:

Stone and King: Old World porcupines. Not really sure how they differ from New World porcupines, just that both mind their own business and get prickly when cornered.

Sunnies:

Silverstein: Capybaras. They're more pets than pests, and all the residents love them. Good and Myers: Brown rats carrying the bubonic plague.

Elm: Chinchillas. They'd think the two level aspect is very cute.

Hayes and Wright: New World porcupines. I don't feel like elaborating.

Brown: Kangaroo mice. Note: very different from kangaroo rats.

Pratt: Lagidum. Have you seen these guys? They look like rabbits with chinchilla tails. Freaky.

Sunset: Campus squirrels! The most iconic and classic rodent of all!

Misc:

Gilpatrick House: Groundhogs who only come out once they can't see their shadow, or any one else for that matter.

Homestead: Lemmings. One falls, they all do.

CATS!!!

What's crazy about being a remote student? Well for me personally it means that I have to help take care of my 15 cats my mom has gathered. 15 seems strange and too many and yes that is fair what happened was there was one stray cat that my mom started feeding and then one more showed up and she keeps getting pregnant, so 11 of these cats are related. So, I thought it would be fun to rank them in order of how much they like me, how much they let me pet them and hold them, etc.

Jasmine: She is the 3rd cat we ever got no relation to any others she is a true o.g. She loves everyone but also gets super mad if she doesn't get her way and will hit you. Like when she wants to go into the basement and I don't let her she gets angry. But she is truly a cool cat she is just a queen,

Zule/Fatty: The next cat is not related to anyone we got her because literally no one else would take her and the animal shelter was like take her for no charge. She is truly large but not in charge at all, she is so large in fact that she can't clean herself so we have to do it for her. She also hates most people but, she loves me literally I can call her name anywhere and she will get up, she could be used for a weapon

Greyby: Named after the rapper Dababy he absolutely loves me literally follows me everywhere I go. I will be sitting in my living room and here he comes just running in and he never like meows or anything he just stares at me like we both know he wants pets. He is a good cat doesn't really bother anyone else kinda just is always there. He likes to hang out with the younger cats I guess to be a cool big brother.

PocketMan: He is one of the younger of the siblings so he is a wild cat but he runs around and will jump up to let you pet him. And he likes to splash in his water bowl super cool cat but also loves to run after all the others and can be annoying if they fight. Beans: Beans is the newest cat he is literally a child like a baby not even a year old. He is the funniest cat because his head is gigantic compared to the rest of his body and he loves to play. He and Pocket always fight so it can get annoying sometimes when you just hear some crashing in the other room and it's them running around. But he purs 24/7 so he is a good man and really easy to pick up on account her is like 5 inches long.

Inky: She is ancient, but dang she is living with the best of them. She was the first stray cat we took and at first, she wouldn't anyone except for my mom get near her. But now in her advanced age, she lets everyone hold and pets her. I am still afraid to hold her on account of crushing her very frail body. But she lives in a room with Beans so I like to go in there and hang with them.

Little Bit: She is not related to anyone and is not a wild cat. But she is just so weird she hated being touched she will actively duck out of the way to be touched. And when you hold she goes limp and tries to act as if she died. But she doesn't bother anyone she literally is just there doesn't really interact with anyone just moves about and sleeps. So I respect her grind I really wish I could live without a desire to be liked.

Solomon: He is straight up a jerk to all the other cats. He loves to chase them and starts fights, which I think is just cause he has a gigantic crush on the other girl cats especially Jasmine, who he fights the most, So I can't fault him fro wanting to get his cursh to notice him, I just don't think it is the right way. He does thought let me pet him and he rubs up against me so he can be okay. Sheba: She is literally a ghost always hiding from everyone. She also thinks Jasmine is her mom, which is hilarious but Jasmine isn't about it so sorta sad. But at least Sheba sniffs us never lets us pet her though so she is low on the list.

10/11. Tut/ Mrs. Kitty: I paired these two because Mrs. Kitty is Tuts mom so they are literally always together. They live in my mom's closet and rarely come out except to eat. Tut though will at least sniff you so there is that. But when you touch him he freaks out and runs away. You can play with him tho with like throwing him toys or dangling things in his face. But once again that is only in my mom's bathroom so not that fun.

12-14. Ezmy, Blinky, and Raven: I put these 3 together because they are direct siblings like the same dad and were born at the same time. But they roam in a pack it honestly pretty interesting to see them move if you can ever get a glimpse of them but you rarely do. You can not even get anywhere near them without them running in huge fear. Plus they vomit a lot so they lose points there.

15. Cuplet: We never see her so it's hard to say much about her she just lives under my mom's bed and I never see her so I wish she could come and ball with us but she doesn't so sad.

Anyway, those are the rankings if you want to see pics of the cats send me a request.

-Josh Poe, Catperson

