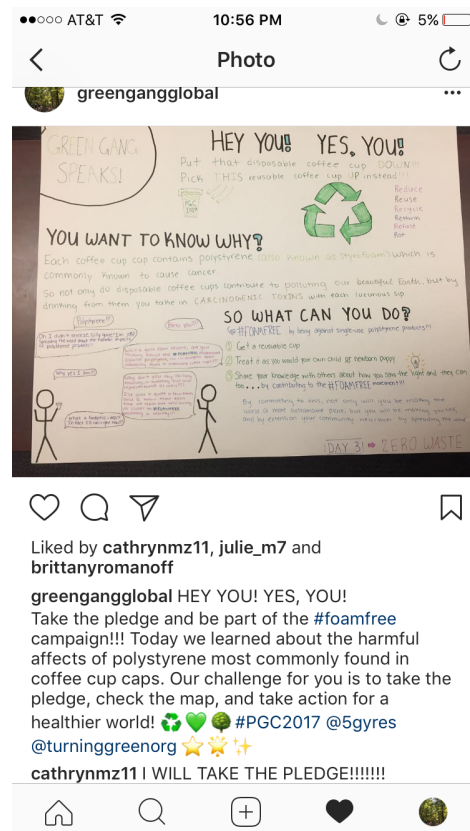


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### Three Steps and Reactions:

1. The first step was "What can you do". Our team pledged to go #foamfree after watching the video about polystyrene (styrofoam) to avoid using this carcinogenic pollutant to all life forms. We were surprised how easy it was that we could pledge and are excited to be updated by their newsletter.
2. After that we got to "Check the map". The next step was to check the map based on our zip code to see how many places are putting bans to protect their communities against the harmful affects of polystyrene products. Our team was surprised to see how many were pending in the U.S. as well as the year they were put into place and if they got overturned. For all members of our team, we didn't know beforehand how styrofoam was carcinogenic and that the affects were as devastating to the planet as they are. We also were interested about how many areas around the world have taken up the ban and have been working hard to continue spreading information to communities to help them make beneficial changes.
3. The next step called "Take action" was something our group was surprised about. Of course we knew calling, emailing, or tweeting a representative are all effective ways to take action but what we didn't realize was how easy it is to connect with a representative. In this part, they wrote out an entire pre-made email and the call had a script ready, helping ease the nerves of first time activists. We first tried to call, but in our zip code they said that calls weren't able to be scheduled at the time, so we settled for an email. We put in our information, confirmed it in our email, and off into the inbox it went! It felt really good to actually send something, and it made us realize how easy it is to get connected with those who work to keep us as safe as possible.

### Screenshot of Social Media Post-



Picture of poster:

