



## **Lincoln High School**

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#### **How Are You Focusing on Fun in 2023?**

For me, my idea of fun is trying new things. I am at a stage in my life where I want to try everything, learn everything, and meet everyone. Right now, this translates into being active in almost every area of my school. For performing arts, I've written two plays for my school's drama program and play the saxophone in our band. For athletics, I'm the captain of our school's varsity golf team, which I originally joined on a whim because my grandparents encouraged me to do it. For academic clubs, I do speech and debate and future business leaders of America on a national level.

To give back to my community, I've spoken at a school volunteering assembly about my mental health outreach. I also founded the Indian Student Union and wrote school newspaper articles through it. In terms of competitions, I basically sign up for any competition I see on posters around the school, from winning my school's poetry out loud competition to winning the Portland wide story slam competition. For STEM, my Science Bowl team placed 5th in Oregon and Washington this year. You can also find me in the Maker Space almost every day at my school where I've learned to 3D print, laser cut, weld, and more. So overall, I'm living a very busy life, but constantly learning and making new friends.

In 2023 I want to continue trying new things. Right now, one of the biggest ways I want to do this is through the rose princess program. I know that being a princess isn't all fun and games, but being able to travel across Oregon, meet community leaders, and learn more about how to serve my community seems like an incredible opportunity. I don't want to just be a rose princess, I want to be active the whole time: learning skills from the people I meet that I can apply to my own life, creating bonds with other princesses that will last a lifetime, and gaining a better understanding of the city of roses.

Another main way I want to focus on fun is through going to college. While I'm not sure where I'm heading to yet, I know this will open so many doors for me. I'll be in a new place, meet new people, and set up the groundwork for the next four years of my life. I'm so excited to be a Rose Princess and for my future!