



Princess Bio

Name: Awek De Piok [uh-WECK DEE pee-AWK]

School: David Douglas High School

Birthplace: Portland, OR

Parents/Guardians: Amol Yong and Abraham Piok

Siblings: Anok, Awai, Abeny, Adit, Achan, Achut

Year in school: Senior

Future education plans:

I plan on furthering my education at the University of Portland School of Nursing.

Career plans:

I am considering becoming a maternal-fetal nurse.

High school activities & honors: I received a basketball award in 2019-2020 Northwest League 3rd Team All-League (2A).

Hobbies and special interest: I love to do a little bit of everything, I enjoy being in places that challenge me as well. I participate in the David Douglas Black Student Union and am currently one of the Vice Presidents of the club. I have played basketball for over nine years, four of those years I have been on the varsity basketball team. I enjoy participating in community events as well.

What is your favorite place to visit in Portland and why?

I love visiting Downtown Portland because it is the time my dad and I have to go out. Being the oldest of seven doesn't give anyone much time with either one of my parents and with that going Downtown always gave me time with my dad which I enjoyed. I always learn something new whenever we go Downtown, so that is my favorite place.

What are you most proud of during your high school career?

I am proud of my growth throughout my high school years. When I first started high school, I didn't understand the value of self-esteem. It was something my dad always preached to me but no matter how many times he told me, I never got the concept. I now understand what he meant. If you don't love and value yourself, it is hard for anyone else to do so. I think that is the best thing I have learned so far.

What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?

Though I have never attended the Rose Festival, I remember watching it online with my family. My favorite event would have to be the Starlight Parade. I love this event because like the whole Rose Festival it brings people of all walks of life together. I love the union it brings to the community. I believe that it's the one thing that my family and I looked forward to watching every year. I also love the lights as well.

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