



  
**Princess Bio**

**Name:** Emily Welch [EM-ah-lee welch]  
**School:** Cleveland High School  
**Birthplace:** San Francisco, California  
**Parents/Guardians:** Robyn Welch and Brent Welch III  
**Siblings:** 1 Sibling  
**Year in school:** Senior

**Future education plans:** I am applying and looking forward to attending a 4-year university to study nursing and explore other subjects through a liberal arts program.

**Career plans:** My goal is to become a nurse. I would love to become a travel nurse or specifically a pediatric nurse to work with kids.

**High School Activities & Honors:** I am president of the Red Cross Club, a member of National Honors Society and Key Club, and I have been a part of my class cabinet all four years. Additionally, I am a student pursuing the Full International Baccalaureate Diploma.

**Hobbies and special interest:** I love participating in various team sports. Throughout my high school experience, I've been a part of the Cleveland swim team, soccer team, tennis team, and cross-country team. Additionally, I play club soccer outside of school. Along with athletics, I love to play music, and have taken piano and guitar lessons.

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

My favorite place to visit in Portland is Sauvie Island. This island is home to so many incredible childhood memories and is key to creating so many more. No matter the season, Sauvie Island is the place to go for some amazing family fun. My summers are never complete without going flower or berry picking at one of the local farms, followed by a picnic on one of Sauvie Island's magical beaches.

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

I am most proud of my accomplishment of the Full IB Diploma. It has allowed me to develop into a critical thinker to create my own educational path that challenges me and helps me unlock my full academic potential. Throughout writing the 4000-word extended research paper, I was able to prepare myself for college level learning and feel what it's like to be truly passionate about my work.

**What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?**

My favorite Rose Festival event is easily the Grand Floral Parade. Every year my family sets up a picnic blanket along the curb to have front row seats to watch all the bands and floats. Now that I am older, I still appreciate the magic of the parade, as it brings the community together and creates such a happy, celebratory environment to honor our city.

**Unitus Community Credit Union Mentor:** Jessica Acosta