



Princess Bio

Name: Anika Rigby

School: Lincoln High School

Year in school: Junior

Future education plans: 4-year University to study Government and Journalism; then pursue a Master's Degree in Foreign Relations at Tsinghua University in China followed by Law School

Career plans: Diplomacy

High School Activities & Honors:

- Constitutional Scholarship
- We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution Competition, first place in Oregon (2025) and the Nation (2025)
- Ninth Circuit Court Civics Video Contest, first place in the District of Oregon (2025)
- Mission: Citizen Teacher and Finance Director
- Co-president of Asian Student Union
- National Chinese Honor Society Secretary
- Chinese Language Class Teacher Aide (2024-2026).
- Chinese Bridge Secondary School Chinese Proficiency & Talent Competition - second place in Oregon (2023)
- President of Pink Valley Dance Team
- Girl's Varsity Golf player
- Red Cross Advocate
- National Honor Society member

Hobbies and special interest:

Over the summer, I learned about criminal trial proceedings under the guidance of honorable Stacie Beckerman. In the fall, I took a class and conducted research with Stanford's SPICE program on the intersection of Chinese and American politics. I also love being involved with my community. Over the past few years, I volunteered at the Oregon Zoo. Additionally, I love working with my hands, whether that's making necklaces and bracelets for my friends or building miniature cafes. I also watch Chinese dramas when I get the chance.

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

My favorite place to visit in Portland, though kind of general, is Forest Park. My uncle always took me hiking through the city, and it gave me a strong sense of peace and remains the perfect place for me to reflect. Through the trails, I can reach the Rose Garden as well, which is another place I love. As a part of family tradition, one of my middle names is Rose, and I feel really connected to the Garden whenever I visit.

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

I am most proud of my team's achievement in Constitutional debate. Not only was it amazing to learn of the Constitution's nuances and intricacies, but I learned a true respect for the founding document of our country. Moreover, I learned a lot about how to compose myself in stressful situations, and the trip to D.C. was wonderful.

What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?

My favorite Rose Festival Event is the Grand Floral Parade. Flowers, and roses in particular, have always been a big part of my life, so seeing their beauty on such a big scale feels very moving to me. I still remember being younger and watching the Parade with family and friends, even in the Portland rain. I love seeing all of the different people brought together for the event.