



Princess Bio

Name: Jenny Duan [JEN-ee Doo-ON]
School: Jesuit High School
Birthplace: Sacramento, CA
Parents/Guardians: Xiaoyun Shao and Tong Duan
Siblings: Annie Duan
Year in school: Senior

Future education plans:

I will be attending Stanford University as a part of the Class of 2026. I am majoring in Symbolic Systems, an interdisciplinary program combining the subjects of psychology, computer science, statistics, philosophy, and linguistics.

Career plans:

I hope to pursue a career in Artificial Intelligence (AI) to one day lead a think tank dedicated to solving global issues with ethical AI. Ultimately, as an AI Ethicist, I aim to create a more just society rooted in values of freedom, respect, and dignity for all.

High School Activities & Honors: Mental Health Awareness Club founder, Ethics Bowl captain, Lead Ambassador, Asian Student Union leader, Spanish National Honor Society officer, Diversity and Inclusion Student Council member, National Merit semifinalist, ACT perfect score, Honor Roll, recipient of multiple academic achievement awards.

Hobbies and special interest: I am a competitive epee fencer, avid reader, classical and jazz pianist, and Youtuber, but most importantly, I am a community-builder and advocate. On the weekends, you'll find me at the Rose Haven Day Shelter in Downtown Portland or at the local VFW.

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

I find peace at the Lan Su Chinese Garden in the heart of Portland's Chinatown. It's a lovely reminder of my culture and my extended family who live across the ocean. In the serene quiet of the garden, I am able to appreciate the present moment and experience a connection to nature and my community.

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

I am most proud of the exhibit I collaboratively designed at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry which educates visitors about the connections between urban heat and racial justice.

What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?

My favorite Rose Festival event is the Starlight Parade. It's a wonderful reminder that joy, light, and community prevail both physically and metaphorically during times of darkness.

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