



Princess Bio

Name: Mackenzie Devereux

School: Ida B. Wells High School

Year in school: Senior

Career plans: I plan to become a quantum biophysics researcher and surgeon.

High School Activities & Honors:

President of the Red Cross Club, Astronomy Club Vice President, Science Olympiad Triathlete, Key Club Member, Outdoors Club Founding Member, AP Capstone Diploma, Marie Curie Award for Excellence in Experimentation

Hobbies and special interests:

From crocheting and knitting, to painting and drawing, to building tiny dollhouses, it is rare to see me without an art project in my free time. In addition to creative activities, I am also an avid reader and book collector.

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

Throughout my high school career, many academic and extracurricular experiences have made a positive contribution to my overall experience. Most notably, however, would likely be my work addressing and combating gender bias at my school. For my Girl Scout Gold Award, I formed and implemented a program that works to create awareness about the presence and effects of gender-based discrimination specifically in STEM and upper-level classes at my high school.

What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?

The [Fred Meyer] Junior Parade holds a special place in my heart. On the day of the parade, my mom would pick me up early from school and we would meet my grandmother in the Hollywood district near where she lived. We'd set up lawn chairs on the sidewalk and watch the parade march by, cheering extra loudly when my brother and his sousaphone passed. It is a particularly fond memory I look back on, sitting on the sidewalk watching local kids and organizations march down the street by the old Hollywood Theatre.