

Princess Bio

Name: Bailey Armstrong [BAY-lee ARM-strong]

School: Lincoln High School

Birthplace: Portland, OR

Parents/Guardians: James Armstrong and Suzy Bates

Siblings: Delaney

Year in school: Junior

Future education plans:

I plan to attend university for a BA in foreign affairs, international relations, politics or sociology. If circumstances allow, I plan to continue on to a master's degree.

Career plans:

I hope to pursue a career in politics, specifically international relations for the State Department.

High School Activities & Honors: National Honors Society, Speech & Debate: State qualifier in Public Forum, Duo Interpretation & Congressional Debate: 4th at state in Congressional debate, "Proven Excellence" award in Public Forum & Congressional Debate, National qualifiers from North Oregon, 2021 Oregon Video Civics Contest winner. Constitution team: Placed 3rd in state.

Hobbies and special interest: I spend my time volunteering as head coach of the WSMS speech & debate team, taking part in student government as Junior class co-president, and interning at Portland City Hall with Commissioner Rubio. In my free time, I like to bake (specifically french macarons) and skiing. During the pandemic I've been researching my personal genealogy & family heritage.

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

My favorite place to visit in Portland has to be Council Crest. I have spent many late summer afternoons enjoying the park. From its colorful history as an old amusement park to its breathtaking views, it is hard to dislike this little sanctuary from the city. Council Crest is always my first stop when showing visitors around Portland to see a little bit of everything, from mountains to the bustling city, all from the tallest point in the city.

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

I am most proud of the work I do while interning at city hall for Commissioner Rubio. I've learned about how an elected officials' office is run. I've gotten to know my community better by learning the issues that Portlanders are most passionate about and seeing first-hand how our city government works to address them.

What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?

My favorite Rose Festival event is the Grand Floral Parade, specifically the floats. Watching the floats covered in flowers pass by has always sparked a childlike joy in my heart. Furthermore, my grandfather was a rosarian and I have always spent the parade imagining him walking alongside the floats.

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