



Princess Bio

Name: Zora Forsberg

School: Cleveland High School

Year in school: Junior

Career plans: I would like to get a Ph.D. in clinical psychology and become a therapist.

High School Activities & Honors:

Co-chair of Cleveland's Black Student Union, Mentoring IB French SL 7-8, National Honors Society, Medal of Functional Fluency in French

Hobbies and special interests:

I like to do a lot of crafts, usually knitting or crocheting, and a lot of reading (mostly magical realism/sci-fi). I also like to go on walks and explore the wooded areas of Portland. And, as of recently, I have painted murals. All of them are very meditative for me, and I really enjoy the sense of accomplishment and connection with life that they bring.

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

I am most proud of the Black History Month assembly we put on last year. It was the first one back from quarantine, and the pressure was on, but we made a really wonderful assembly on the importance of jazz in Black culture with guests like Mel Brown, and we got to highlight local Black-owned businesses like Third Eye Books. It was really incredible to be able to go on a stage and tell everyone about my culture, to put on a program that people really liked, and to have supported the community in the process.

What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?

My favorite Rose Festival Event is the Milk Carton Boat Race. It's very nostalgic for me and I love to see everyone's boats and how creative they get with them. I love the sense of community it brings, and how joyful and happy everyone is.