

Princess Bio

Name: Isa Halle

School: Franklin High School

Year in school: Junior

Future education plans: 4-year college majoring in international relations and minoring in French.

Career plans: I am considering a career in international relations focusing on environmental advocacy.

High School Activities & Honors: I am the president and co-founder of my school's Harm Reduction Club which educates students on drug awareness and opioid overdose reversal by providing a safe space for students and distributing Narcan. I have received varsity letters for both Ski Team and Cheer all years of my high school career. I am also a member of the Associated Study Body and a section editor of the newspaper at my high school.

Hobbies and special interest: Some of my hobbies include reading, listening to music, and thrift shopping. Through my love for thrifting, I became a vendor at the Portland Vintage Market, where I sell my old clothes and donate the proceeds to CityTeam, a homeless shelter where I regularly volunteer. I also love the outdoors, and I can be found hiking, backpacking, skiing, and recently snowboarding in the Pacific Northwest.

What is your favorite place to visit in Portland and why? My favorite place to visit in Portland is Sellwood Riverfront Park. Since my birthday is at the beginning of summer, I often spend it at the docks in Sellwood. I have had my birthday party there for the last four years, and for this reason, I have very fond memories of laying in the sun and swimming with my friends. My happiest memories of summer and sunshine are in Sellwood Riverfront Park, and I look forward to dock days every year.

What are you most proud of during your high school career? During my high school career, I'm most proud of how I managed to balance everything in my life. Between schoolwork, extracurricular, and personal life, I learned how to stay organized and use my time wisely. I am able to get good grades while staying active in clubs, sports, and volunteering. This helped me learn how to prioritize and handle stress better. Being able to balance everything has made me feel more confident about managing challenges in the future.

What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why? My favorite Rose Festival event is the Fred Meyer Junior Parade. It has always been hosted near my mom's house in North Portland and I have fond memories of watching the parade when I was little. Now that I am older I am able to watch the parade through a new lens and experience the childhood wonder from an outside perspective.