



## Princess Bio

**Name:** Brenda Ortegon Briceno

**School:** Parkrose High School

**Birthplace:** Yucatan, MX

**Parents/Guardians:** Patricio Ortegon and Yolanda Briceno

**Siblings:** Lupita Ortegon, Karen Ortegon, Ulises Ortegon

**Year in school:** Junior

### **Future education & career plans:**

Brenda plans to attend college, focusing in the sciences.

### **High School Activities & Honors:**

Brenda is involved in NHS, MECHA, College Possible, and the swim team. She was awarded 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Academic Excellence Awards, Most Inspirational Girl Swimmer Award and multiple attendance awards throughout her school years. She additionally earned Alfred Wegener's Resilience Award for demonstrating resilience in physical science and the Cybernetic Human trophy in AP Biology.

### **Hobbies and special interest:**

Brenda loves drawing, watching movies and spending time with her family and pets. She tries to go outside whenever she can, reading, and volunteering within her community.

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

"I love visiting Washington Park because there are so many things to do there. Everything is so unbelievably beautiful and you can always tell that people have a good time there. I love that it is a place where I can relax and not have to think about anything else, I love being able to just live in the moment."

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

"I am proud of being a good student who has given it her all. I am really proud that I got good grades and was able to make connections with people. The thing that I am most proud of is going outside my comfort zone and taking every opportunity I could."

### **What is your favorite Rose Festival event and why?**

"I'm going to be honest, I don't think I have ever attended a Rose Festival event. This is one of the reasons why I am super excited about this opportunity. I want to get to know my city more and I want to see what it has to offer. I love exploring new places and learning different things."

**Unitus Community Credit Union Mentor: Karen Salman**