

ROSE FESTIVAL COURT | Benson High School

Name: Cynthia Aguilar-Arizmendi

Age: 17

Year in school: Senior

High school activities and honors: Student body president, Leadership, Key Club, Community Service treasurer and president, soccer captain and Second All-City Team, Class of 2016 Prom Committee, Escalera College Prep program.

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

“Knowing who you are and where you want to go in life is something many adults struggle with, but I don’t. I was always told that I had a mindset that was beyond my years and I see that now. When I am faced with any challenges that I may not have the answer to, I know that I am able to overcome them because that’s who I am and how my community raised me to be.”

Future plans: Attend a college or university to pursue law, medicine or a business major.

– *Portland Rose Festival Foundation*



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Cynthia Aguilar-Arizmendi was crowned Benson Polytechnic High School 2016 Rose Festival Princess on Friday.



See more photos of the entire 2016 Rose Court and follow The Oregonian/OregonLive’s coverage of the 2016 Rose Festival, at oregonlive.com/rosefestival. The festival kicks off on May 27 and the Queen of Rosaria will be crowned on June 11.