



2025 Lindsay Orange Blossom Festival
Queen's Attendants
Daisy Andrade-Lemus, Cecilia Angel-Flores,
Abby Chavez, and Adriana Lemus-Ibarra

Daisy Andrade-Lemus

My name is Daisy Andrade-Lemus, and I am currently a senior at Lindsay High School. I find it incredibly difficult to share my story without sharing my parent's journey. I am the daughter of Javier and Martha Andrade, born in the small "ranchos" of Huatajo and San Nicolas, Michoacan. With nothing but a dream, they immigrated to the United States, determined to give me the opportunities and a chance at a better life that they were unfortunate to never receive. I come from a hardworking and devoted family that, in turn, have fueled my desire to pursue higher education. My parents are my greatest inspiration and have supported me all of my life. They have raised me to become the hardworking, driven, and resilient person I am today, and for that, I am eternally grateful.

My parents began working in the fields picking various fruits such as lemons, mandarins, cherries, and oranges. Both of my parents have worked incredibly hard to sustain my family, and on many occasions, I've helped them too. Carrying a 50-pound bag on my shoulder and filling crates half my height was exhausting and would take a toll on my body. It truly opened my eyes to my parent's sacrifices to give me a comfortable life. In pursuit of a less physically demanding job, my parents began their small food business selling enchiladas at the Lindsay Friday Night Market. I started helping them work by the time I turned 8 years old and continue to help them to this day. My duties began by serving drinks or tidying up our stand; now I even help cook the Enchiladas and work as a cashier. My work ethic grew immensely through helping my parents and allowed me to learn the value of hard work. My goal in pursuing higher education is to one day give back to my parents for their countless sacrifices.

Throughout my high school career, I have strived to immerse myself in academic and extracurricular pursuits to become a well-rounded student and enrich my high school experience. I am in the Business and Finance Pathway, and I have been able to discover my passion for business and continuously help those around me. Through the pathway courses, I have become a leader, teammate, business owner and a pillar in my community. Since junior year, I've helped organize and run the Angel Tree Community Service through the FBLA Chapter at Lindsay High School. Along with my peers, I've helped many low-income families get back on their feet and help provide them with meals and toys during the holiday season. I've also volunteered at the City of Lindsay Christmas Events by serving food to community members and helping run the order of events. I've learned the importance of giving back to the community and I have seen how even the smallest acts can make the greatest impact. Aside from my community service, I have held leadership positions in and out of the classroom. I have been an FBLA Member and State Qualifier all 4 years, currently serving my second term as Vice President of State Projects. I am also highly involved in ASB currently serving as Treasurer where I manage the finances of all campus clubs and help organize social events on campus to increase class culture. In addition, I am in TRIO, Class Council, City Council Board Representative, AVID, and 2 sports formerly. I am currently a dual enrollment learner and in the Cardinal Early College Academy (CECA). I have been an Honor Roll student all 4 years, and a member of CSF, National Spanish Honors Society, and REAP. All of these factors combined will allow me to complete 23 college courses by the time I graduate and have earned me a GPA of 4.43.

Upon finishing high school, I hope to attend a 4-year university to fulfill my dreams of becoming a first-generation college student. I hope to major in Business, Economics, or a related field. Although I am unsure of what specific field I would like to pursue, I know that God will guide me

in choosing the right path for me. I am blessed to have grown up alongside such incredible and supportive figures who have shaped my growth. I am greatly honored to represent my hometown of Lindsay and I hope to serve as a role model for younger generations to come.

Cecilia Angel-Flores

Hello everyone! My name is Cecilia Angel-Flores, or Ceci as most know me. I'm currently a senior at Lindsay High School, and I am the daughter of Adan Angel Solano and Cecilia Flores Velasco, both of whom immigrated from Puebla, Mexico, a few decades ago. I'm also the younger sister to Jose and Endy. While my brothers and I are originally from Portland, Oregon, we moved to Lindsay, California, with my family in 2012, and have called this town home ever since. Although I wasn't born anywhere near Lindsay, I feel incredibly blessed to have spent the last 13 years here. That being said, I am honored and excited to have been chosen as an attendant for the 2025 Orange Blossom Festival, and I can't wait to enjoy all the fun activities that lie ahead!

From a young age, my parents instilled in me the value of higher education, even though they never attended college themselves. They believed that the knowledge gained through academics would set me up for success. Their encouragement shaped me into someone with ambitious goals for the future, one of which has been to remain in the top 10 of my graduating class. As a first-generation student, programs like TRIO Upward Bound, AVID, REAP, and CSF have provided crucial support, helping me push myself to excel in my studies. Throughout high school, I have been given opportunities to get ahead in my educational journey. One of the most impactful experiences was becoming a dual enrollment student and joining CECA (Cardinal Early College Academy). Through dual enrollment and CECA, I have taken over 15 rigorous college-level courses that challenged me as a learner. Although it has been a difficult journey, advancing through these courses has equipped me with discipline, resilience, and lifelong skills that are essential in both my academic and professional future. I am happy to say that my dedication to my studies has not gone unnoticed. Over the years, I have earned recognition, including Honor Roll, and have been nominated as an Outstanding Learner and Cardinal Strong Learner, and awarded scholarships among other awards that celebrate my hard work.

Outside of academics, there are a number of other activities that keep me busy. Over the past four years, I've been involved in sports and clubs, where I have taken on leadership roles. I participated in varsity girls' tennis and varsity track and field. I joined tennis as a sophomore, and it turned out to be one of the best decisions I have ever made. I'm thrilled to share that I was a captain in both my junior and senior years, and I am incredibly grateful for the opportunity I had to lead and serve as a role model to the girls on the team. Some of my favorite memories come from the drills we would do during practice and when my doubles partner and I placed fifth in doubles at the 2024 ESL Championships. In track and field, while I was a thrower, I was also team manager. This role inspired me to later take on the role of team manager for the boys' tennis team where I got the chance to continue practicing the sport I love most.

Beyond sports, I have been actively involved in several clubs, including Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Interact Club, Civics Club, and Spanish Honors Society, among others. In most of these clubs, I held officer positions, where I was responsible for organizing and leading meetings, discussing upcoming events, and finding ways to engage with and contribute to my community. Another thing I love to do through these clubs is give back to my community in my free time. Some of my favorite volunteer experiences include working the Interact Club Thanksgiving Turkey Drive,

helping with the Christmas Pancake Breakfast, assisting with the Health Fair booth, volunteering at the Tennis Championships, and filling up sandbags when Lindsay experienced flooding a few years back.

After graduating from high school, I plan to attend the University of California, Berkeley, where I will major in neurobiology on a pre-med track. As some know, I aspire to become a physician. After completing my undergraduate degree, I intend to continue on to medical school, where hopefully by then I can decide on a specialty. At the moment, I'm considering becoming an OBGYN, oncologist, or radiologist. While I'm still deciding on my specialty, one thing I'm certain of is that I will always strive to make a meaningful impact on my patients' lives, no matter which path I take.

At first, I didn't realize how much growing up in Lindsay had shaped who I am today. From kindergarten all the way to this day, I've been surrounded by dedicated educators, coaches, and staff from Lindsay High School who have been an incredible support system, not only in my education but also in my personal growth. It's people like them that make Lindsay such a special community. Thank you, Lindsay, for all the support and opportunities.

Abby Chavez

Hello, my name is Abby Chavez, and I am an 18-year-old senior at Lindsay High School. I am truly excited and honored to be an Orange Blossom attendant this year and share my journey. I would like to mention my wonderful parents, Stephanie Chavez, who is my mother, but most know her as Ms. Stephanie, and Esteban Chavez, my father. They have been my pillars of strength, always there for me through all my achievements and watching me cheer at almost every football game in high school. And, of course, I can't forget my younger brothers, Max and Esteban, and my wonderful, beautiful, talented sister, Emily, who is always there for me, rain or shine.

From a young age, I knew I wanted to be a doctor, and with my parents' unwavering support, I have worked diligently to achieve this dream. My academic journey began at Washington Preschool and continued through Roosevelt and Kennedy Elementary, where I had some amazing learning facilitators who helped me learn valuable lessons about caring for others, being a good friend, and developing critical thinking skills.

Throughout my high school career, I have been committed to academic excellence, earning the Outstanding Learner Award in English in my Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior years and the Honor Roll every semester of high school. I am a proud California Scholarship Federation (CSF) and Spanish Honors Society member. I have completed nine college-level courses, with three still in progress, and achieved a GPA of 4.23, but who's counting, right?

My career pathway in the Academy of Health Science has deepened my understanding of healthcare, helping me learn about the different aspects of the healthcare industry. This allowed me to intern at Sierra View Medical Center, where I rotated through various departments, including the ER, flex care unit, ICU, radiology department, distribution, and physical therapy center. I was also able to shadow an anesthesiologist during surgery. This experience has truly solidified my dream of becoming a doctor, or more specifically, an anesthesiologist, and my passion for helping others.

One of the most impactful experiences in high school was participating in Folklorico. Although it was new and challenging at times, I learned a lot about my culture and made many encouraging friends who helped me learn all of the beautiful dances. I couldn't have done this without my learning facilitator Ms. Gonzalez, who encouraged me Freshman year to join her Folklorico class.

Cheerleading has also been a huge part of my high school experience. I've been a cheerleader for three years, and it's been so much fun cheering on my school and working with an awesome team. This experience has not only been filled with joy and friendship but has also taught

me the importance of teamwork and perseverance. Through cheerleading, I had the opportunity to coach a mini cheer camp, teaching younger girls the basics of cheerleading. We had a week-long camp where I taught cheers and a dance for a high school football game. It was inspiring to see the girls gain confidence and realize they can achieve anything, just like I did when I first joined Mini Cheer Camp as a little girl.

After high school, I plan to attend a four-year university and continue my journey toward becoming a doctor. I have recently been accepted to USC, and I am waiting to hear back from a few schools to make a final decision. I am incredibly thankful for my friends, family, and everyone who has supported and nominated me. I am honored and excited to be part of the 2025 Orange Blossom Festival and deeply grateful to my hometown of Lindsay for teaching me so much about myself and the people around me.

Adriana Lemus-Ibarra

Hello, my name is Adriana Lemus Ibarra, I am the daughter of Cristina and Pascual Lemus. I have two older siblings, my sister Deicy and my brother Clemente. I grew up in Lindsay and one of my core memories since being young has been attending the Orange Blossom Parade. Every year I walk down the street from where I live and I sit and watch all the floats; patiently waiting to see the queen and her attendants. It is an honor to now be one of the attendants. I am so grateful for this opportunity.

My education started as a Washington Tiger and now I am a Lindsay Cardinal at Lindsay High School. Since my freshman year, I have been on the honor roll, while taking various college courses through the College of the Sequoias. In the last 4 years, I have made a strong effort to participate in many clubs. With agriculture being my pathway, I have become a member of the Future Farmers of America Organization (FFA). Through FFA I raise market hogs to show and sell at fairs like Porterville and Tulare. I'm currently raising my last hog, Max, and while I'm happy to have him, it's bittersweet since he'll be my final hog before college. Besides being a showman for Lindsay FFA, I also help our chapter in many ways and by doing so I have earned my FFA greenhand, chapter, and state degree. I am also a part of ASB and I take on the leadership role of commissioner of marketing for our high school's ASB program, which means I run all the ASB's social media pages and all the ways the LHS ASB program gets displayed publicly. I have always been involved in ASB by running the student section chants every home football game and also helping out with rallies while always showing school spirit. At LHS I am also a member of Block L, the California Scholarship Federation (CSF), Spanish Honor Society (SHS), and Team Empower.

During my athletic career, I have consistently done the same 3 sports since my freshman year, which are cross country, soccer, and track & field. I have had many opportunities to grow in every sport but also put my leadership skills to the test in many ways. During the fall I ran cross country which I was awarded MVP both my junior and senior year. In addition, I had the opportunity to be team captain both years. This senior year I placed top 10 in the CIF Central Section Championship back in November and second in league overall which was an incredible, personal accomplishment because I had been working hard every day since the summer. It felt as if all my hard work had finally paid off. During the winter I play soccer. It is the sport I grew up playing. I have been playing varsity soccer all 4 years of high school. This year I was honored to be named one of the captains. During the spring I ran track and field and was awarded MVP my junior year and have also been one of the team captains since my junior year. Although my last season of track and field is barely starting I cannot wait to see what happens and what I accomplish this season as my last sport as a cardinal.

I have been involved in the community of Lindsay for years now and I have helped out as much as possible in many different ways. I have helped at the fire station handing out toys for tots

during the Christmas season and filling sandbags for homes being affected by the floods. I always enjoy helping out in any Jr. Cardinal sporting events, as well as helping my coaches lead G3 camps for future Cardinals, and leading the community Lindsay Run & Walk Club every Saturday at the Mcdermont Field House.

After high school, I plan to attend a 4-year university and receive a bachelor's in agricultural business or business marketing. No matter where I end up attending college after high school, Lindsay will always be my home and I am happy to have grown up in this beautiful town with this welcoming community and I am honored for the opportunity to be a part of the Orange Blossom Festival as one of the attendants.