



# OSAGE COUNTY ANTI-DRUG Community Action Team

## Presents the OCADCAT Mentors, Role Models and Leaders of 2020



### Chloe Holloway

Chamois High School, Chamois MO  
*"I've seen what drugs do to people and I didn't want to go down that road. I would much rather focus on getting ahead in life."*

**THINGS I LOVE TO DO:** I paint, sculpt, and enjoy creating and performing my own music.

**MY ROLE MODEL:** I would have to say my biggest role models were musicians I listened to while growing up. I was influenced greatly by Amy Winehouse, Alanis Morissette, The Cranberries, The Beatles and The Lumineers. Those are just a few of the many musicians I listen to. I believe their music influenced me due to the energy of their songs and often raw messages. A lot of songs dealt with difficult times in life in a poetic way. I feel I grasped that tightly growing up. I

mainly listen to Alternative, but I am very open to new and old music.

**NEXT STEPS:** I plan to study photojournalism while continuing a music career. I will also be serving the Missouri National Guard during that time.

**GOALS:** My goals are to complete Basic Training for the Missouri National Guard and begin college at the University of Missouri Columbia. I would like to pursue a career in music and art. I chose Mizzou due to their large music community. I have written and performed my own songs over the last two/three years and I would like to continue to do so in the next chapter of my life. I had taught myself guitar when I was 15 and I went from there! I also really liked the energy of the campus when I went and visited. I felt I would fit in quite well.

**MY DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE:** My dream is to become the best I can be and pursue music.



### Hannah Koenigsfeld

Linn High School, Linn MO  
*"Being drug and alcohol free allows me to spend time with my family and stay focused on what it is all about, the future."*

**MY GOAL:** To achieve what I have planned I am going to continue to try and keep my 4.0 GPA and strive to be in the top of my class. While in college I am going to find a job in the medical field that will better my chances of getting a job later. I am now a volunteer at Capital Region Medical Center to gain more experience and knowledge of the medical field.

**MY ROLE MODEL:** I have two role models, my parents. They are my role models because they have taught me some of the most valuable lessons in life. My mom has taught me that you're going to work every day of your life so when you get a chance to do something new, do it. Don't live life to work all the time, live it for the happy moments with others and the experiences you receive through life. My dad is also my role model because I want the work ethic he has had throughout my whole life to be the work ethic I have throughout mine. He has shown me that if you care about what you're doing you will never work a day in your life. Both of them, have taught me through these two things that if you do these you will live happy and healthy throughout the rest of your life.

**MY DREAMS:** I dream of getting my nursing degree or a degree in the health care field. 5 years from now I would like to be settled down in my first home. I imagine myself working in a hospital or clinic helping patients every day. I would bring a different story home everyday and later in life being able to share crazy stories with my kids and maybe inspire them. I dream of settling down in a small town, in a house with lots of land. I add to my dreams everyday and know I am on the right path. My biggest dream is to always be happy and healthy every day of my life.



### Sydney Schwartz

Fatima High School, Westphalia MO

*"I know the person I am inside and I choose to follow my beliefs."*

**MY ROLE MODEL:** My role model is my grandma Agnes. I think she has a heart of gold and would do anything to help anyone else. She is rooted in her religious beliefs and loves her family deeply. She is not afraid to work hard and always gives her best.

**THINGS I LOVE TO DO:** I enjoy shopping, relaxing and visiting with friends, working at my part-time job, helping people in my community, and going on walks around town.

**NEXT STEPS:** I plan to attend the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg. Here I plan to pursue a degree in Special Education and work with students with differing disabilities. I am highly interested in any opportunity to study abroad.

**MY DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE:** I want to get a job in my chosen field, get married and have a family, to travel the world. At the end of the day I hope to feel content with the choices I have made and the life I have chosen.

**GOALS:** I plan to get enrolled in college, make new friends, explore each and every opportunity given to me and remain healthy, happy and satisfied with my life choices.



### Samantha Brandt

Linn High School, Linn MO

*"I have high expectations for my career and I know that drugs and alcohol will destroy my body and vocal cords. For me it's not worth the risk."*

**THINGS I LOVE TO DO:** One of my favorite things to do is curl up with a book and read. I love being teleported to another world and another life through the words I read. I also have a love for singing and acting. Music has always been a large part of my life, I love to see the joy my voice brings to others when I sing. My love for acting started my sophomore year of high school when I joined drama club. Since then, I have expanded my abilities as an actor and was the lead in multiple school plays. Because of my love of singing and acting, I decided to participate in community theater at the Little Theater of Jefferson City and Capital City Productions. Both of these theaters provided me with great experiences and many friends. I cannot wait to participate in another production through these theaters.

**MY ROLE MODEL:** I have never had one distinct role model in my life, however I have always had people around me with very strong personalities. My parents have always taught me to be my own person and do the best I can. My Aunt Glenda and my cousin Brittany taught me to work hard and play harder. My Grandma Brandt taught me to work hard on the farm (and sneak a cookie when you can), while my other Grandma brought out my creativity by teaching me crafts and always showed me how to let loose and have fun. There are so many people who have influenced my life that I can't name them all. However, they all taught me to work hard, have fun, and family is everything.

**NEXT STEPS:** I want to attend college and be accepted into the Bachelor of Fine Arts Program for Musical Theater at Southeast Missouri State University.

**MY DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE:** I want to begin my career in the world of Theater. My "star goal" is to be a performer on Broadway, however I have a long road ahead of me before I get there.



### Jenna Reinkemeyer

Fatima High School, Westphalia MO

*"I want to live a good, long life making an impact on the lives of others."*

**MY ROLE MODEL:** My role model is my grandma. She is the kindest person I know. She is always putting other people's needs before her own and has taught me the value of this simple yet caring gesture. I want to live my life in this same simple and humble way.

**THINGS I LOVE TO DO:** I love my job, spending time with patients at CRMC and residents at Auburn Ridge. Sadly my job is not available today due to the virus. I love to stay busy. I really enjoy playing volleyball and spending time with my family and friends. I have earned my C.N.A. and LIMA so I can easily work in a nursing home or a hospital setting when

things return to normal.

**NEXT STEPS:** I will be attending the University of Missouri-Columbia. I was accepted into the honors college. I will major in nursing and am very interested in Emergency Room Nursing or Peds as both appeal to me.

**MY DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE:** I want to travel and even visit different countries. I want to go on mission trips and maybe even try travel nursing for a few years. I would love an adventure to Australia and maybe live there awhile and use my nursing skills to help others while enjoying the surf and sand.



### Alexis Slusser

Chamois High School, Chamois MO

*"I have had a family member die from a drug overdose. I saw how the drugs had changed them. For this reason I have chosen to stay away from drugs."*

**MY ROLE MODEL:** Nathan Feuerstein, known as "NF" is my role model because he followed his dreams and never gave up. Once he achieved these goals, he always set new goals to achieve.

**THINGS I LOVE TO DO:** I love going for long walks on trails. I enjoy drawing and reading in my free time, and of course hanging out with my friends. I love running, walking and reading. I am a pretty good cook, good with chicken and pork, so far I have not mastered steak. I also have a job at Thriftway, in Linn, so I'm pretty busy.

**NEXT STEPS:** I will be attending a four year college. I would like to attend Northwest Missouri and study Criminology.

**MY DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE:** To continue to achieve my goals, make my parents proud and be successful in my chosen career, get my College Education, become a Crime Scene Investigator and one day fall in love and raise my own family.



### Grace Kloepfel

Fatima High School, Westphalia MO

*"I have big plans for myself, and I don't want drugs getting in the way of them."*

**MY ROLE MODEL:** My role model is my sister Hannah, throughout her time in High School she worked hard to set a good example for me to follow. She got excellent grades and lived a drug free life style. It made my transition into High School easier with her example to look up to and apply to my own experiences.

**THINGS I LOVE TO DO:** I enjoy being the President of SADD and the Captain of the Fatima Girls Varsity Soccer Team.

**NEXT STEPS:** I plan to attend Missouri S&T with a focus in Mechanical Engineering, to graduate with my degree and to make a lot

of memories with new friends that I meet along the way.

**MY DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE:** My main dream is to get a job that I love and that allows me the opportunity to give back to my community. To continue encouraging students to make wise decisions in college and beyond and hold myself accountable for my drug-free lifestyle.

**GOALS:** I would like to become a member of the Girls Intramural Soccer Team at S&T and possibly study abroad if I get the opportunity.



### Ryan Platt

Linn High School, Linn MO

*"I choose to be drug and alcohol free because I know they will cloud my vision for the future. Achieving my goals and dreams is far too important to me. I am the only one that can push myself to achieve professional success and I do not want anything standing in my way."*

**MY ROLE MODEL:** I would have to say my parents have been my role models. They have taught me how to live a full and good life without the use of drugs or alcohol.

**THINGS I LOVE TO DO:** I love to listen to Classical Country Music and farm. Farming does not leave a lot of free time, but that's what I love to do.

**NEXT STEPS:** I plan to attend State Technical College of Missouri in the fall.

**MY DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE:** My dream is after completing college and getting a good job, I would love to start up my own business in my chosen field of Civil Engineering, save up some money and buy my own land and start my own family farm. I am confident that between all the skills I have mastered on the family farm and in school, this will be my dream life. Then I can add in my own family.

**GOALS:** I want to earn an Associates Degree in Civil Engineering. After graduation I plan on getting a job in my chosen field and gaining first hand experience.