

First Miss SWOSU's Outstanding Teen to MC Pageants this Saturday

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Ashley Nicole Wheeler—the first ever Miss SWOSU Outstanding Teen in 2009 and current newsroom intern at KJRH-TV in Tulsa, will serve as Mistress of Ceremonies for the Miss SWOSU and Miss SWOSU's Outstanding Teen pageants this Saturday, October 29, on the Weatherford campus.

The pageant is at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center.

Wheeler, the 23-year-old daughter of J.R. and Melanie Wheeler, was born and raised in Altus. She began singing and performing at the age of 7 and won numerous talent competitions. She has performed and traveled with several Branson groups throughout Oklahoma, Texas and Missouri, and she was an executive casting audition finalist in Los Angeles for Season 10 of "The Voice".

At the age of 9, Wheeler began her pageant experience, competing in the Miss Oklahoma Little Star Program. Since then she has accumulated an impressive list of titles. She was the first contestant to ever hold the titles of both Miss Altus Outstanding Teen (2010) and Miss Altus (2013) and she is also the only woman to ever claim the Miss Lawton crown twice (2014 and 2016).

She was a top 10 finalist at Miss Oklahoma Outstanding Teen in 2009 and 2010 and at Miss Oklahoma in 2014 and 2015. She won a Preliminary Overall Talent Award in 2015. Wheeler recently represented Oklahoma (Miss Oklahoma Sweetheart) at the National Sweetheart Pageant in Illinois this past Labor Day where she won the Preliminary Overall Talent Award and placed 3rd Runner-Up.

Advance tickets for Saturday's pageants are \$10 for non-SWOSU students and \$5 for SWOSU students. All tickets at the door are \$20. Advance tickets are available in Room 205 of the SWOSU Administration Building and from all contestants.