

Ambassador Highlight

The ADSBS is excited to highlight the ambassador program through an ambassador highlight. One of these young leaders will be highlighted each month. This month we say hello to Jess Vaught.

Name: Jess Michael Vaught

Age: 9

Hometown: Auburnton, Tennessee

School: Middle Tennessee Christian School



Jess Michael Vaught is in the 4th grade. He raises Dorper and White Dorpers and has been showing for 3 years now. Jess loves going to the All-American Sheep Show. He plays Lacrosse and enjoys watching football. Jess also serves on student council.

Vaught volunteered for the ADSBS ambassadors at the North American International Livestock Exposition where he helped check in exhibitors and assist with youth activities. Vaught was selected as an ambassador because of his willingness to help others in and around the show ring.

While helping with show activities, these ambassadors are learning life-long skills, such as leadership and team dynamics, as well as event organization and execution. These youth members assist at youth and open shows across the United States by helping with gate check-in, taking photos in or around the shows, handing out ribbons in the ring, serving as a ring steward and assisting with other various youth functions. They may be called upon to help with other responsibilities that may pop up at shows and events.



“The best part of showing for Jess is spending time with sheep friends and sheep family,” Vaught said.

Jess is looking forward to attending and participation in many ADSBS events this year and joining 4-H.

The ambassador program is designed to develop youth leaders such as Vaught. Congratulations, Jess, on being accepted into the ADSBS Ambassador Program for 2025-2026.

