

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 on the web and a few in each Dorper Report.

Max Mason

Age: 15

Hometown: Luther, Oklahoma

School: Jones High School (Go Horns!)



Max Mason has been raising and showing Dorpers for 4 years. He currently works on his family operation, Vorel Farms Dorper Sheep and helps to maintain the flock by “giving medicines, aiding in lambing season, helping plan the breeding season and bottle feeding any lambs.” Mason said his main job though is “breaking show lambs and showing stock at fairs across the state.” Mason also loves livestock judging and studying genetics.

Mason also maintains the family social media presence. “My life goal is to graduate high school and take over the farm to continue raising and maintaining the animals that I love so much,” he said. “I love the Dorper breed. They bring so much versatility without sacrificing quality for performance. They perform in frigid cold weather and hot desert-like weather.”

The ambassador program allows students to combine their many skills. 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.

Mason is a firm believer in marketing the Dorper breed. “I believe that to grow our breed as a whole we need to capture the attention of more knowledgeable Livestock raisers and educate why Dorpers are the breed to be in,” he said! “I’ve been interviewing the best and most knowledgeable Dorper producers from all across the country, asking them questions about everything they know to help educate everyone I can,” he said. “I hope, as an Ambassador, to help aid in advertisement, marketing, and attend as many shows as possible to do my part!!”



Mason is grateful to everyone who has helped him along the way, “I want to give a huge shout out to everyone who helped me get here, everyone whose taken time to take an interview with me, my family and friends, all of great fellow producers, and especially my Grandfather, Mike Vorel,” he said.



Congratulations, Max, on being accepted into the ADSBS Ambassador Program for 2025-2026.

