



Ashleigh Robinson

Miss Oklahoma 2021

Ashleigh Robinson, Miss Oklahoma 2021, is a 7th Grade English Language Arts teacher at F.D. Moon Middle School in Oklahoma City Public Schools. Introduced to the school through volunteering with the Freedom City mentoring and reading buddy program, Ashleigh fell in love with the students and pouring into their lives. After a year of volunteering once a week, she accepted a teaching position there. The pandemic kept her classroom virtual until February '21. She was named OKCPS District Rookie Teacher of the Month in March '21.

Her Social Impact Initiative and life passions are on a platform of Inclusion. Ashleigh and her siblings are biracial. Her youngest sister, Danielle, has Down Syndrome. Danielle is a vibrant young woman with dreams and capabilities of her own. Ashleigh advocates for a culture shift in our communities to include those with intellectual and developmental disabilities in opportunities for education, employment, and social engagement. She hopes to create better communities through advocating for inclusion in every corner of Oklahoma.

Ashleigh attended Oklahoma City University where she studied at the Bass School of Music. She was honored to have received over \$120,000 in scholarships to fund her undergraduate education. With a focus in voice, she studied many different styles of music and performance for theatre. She continues to perform jazz music and participate in theatre productions as a performer and director. Outside of her studies, Ashleigh was very active on campus as a leader in many capacities. With the support of the university, Ashleigh brought organizations like the Black Student Association and Best Buddies to the campus community. She was employed in the Diversity and Inclusion Office as a student ambassador, and was awarded the university award for Outstanding Student for her commitment to including others.

As a young adult, Ashleigh has been active with Gamma Phi Beta, OCU Student Foundation, Relay for Life, The Children's Center Rehabilitation Hospital, Oklahoma United Methodist Conference, New Leaders Council, Oklahoma Miss Amazing, KidsAlive!, Konnect HQ, Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma, and was awarded The Inasmuch Foundation Student Fellowship.

Ashleigh is honored to be representing the great state of Oklahoma at the Miss America competition in December of 2021. She has already received over \$65,000 in scholarships through competing in Miss Oklahoma and Miss America competitions, even having lost more competitions than she has won. She plans to earn a postgraduate degree with her earnings.

The Robinsons are a military and adoptive family from Edmond, and each child graduated from Edmond Public Schools. Ashleigh is the daughter of Craig and Jennifer Robinson, and the sister of Anthony, Courtney, and Danielle Robinson.