



Hello Tennessee TSA! My name is Samantha Wang and this year I will be serving as your 2011-2012 Tennessee TSA State Reporter. This is my first year serving on the state officer team and I am super excited to be part of something this special, as well as being able to guide and lead such a wonderful association.

Currently, I live in Oak Ridge and will attend Oak Ridge High School as an upcoming junior in the fall. In the past, the ORHS chapter has had a history of dedication and passion for this organization by regularly attending competitions at state and national levels and having many state and national officers. Our TSA chapter has been known to have a strong team and I am proud to be a part of this team. For me, the most exciting TSA event is Tech Bowl because the challenge of this event requires a vast knowledge in all different areas of technology.

My start in TSA began in middle school simply by an accidental sit-in at our Jefferson Middle School chapter team practice. By simply waiting for a friend, I found this whole new world to explore. I was drawn towards the event for chapter team and immediately signed up the next year for the organization as an eighth grader. Of course, I competed in Chapter Team that very year as secretary, along with another five events. After going to my first conference, I was completely absorbed into the world of TSA. Soon, I found myself greatly influenced by the strong leadership roles of our past officers in their involvement with the state and national offices, which led me to where I am now.

At school, I am proud to say that I am a total nerd. I enjoy working hard in all subjects and taking challenging courses to excel myself. I do not really have a favorite subject because I found myself enjoying every one of them, yes even including the threatening worlds of calculus and world history.

Outside of academics and TSA, I am also immersed in many other organizations. Whether it is solving world issues in international relations club, buzzing in answers for science bowl practice, or just helping out with student council activities, you can find me almost every day afterschool attending a club meeting or practice of some kind. For physical activities, I play for my varsity tennis team and enjoy it quite a bit.

After meeting many new people at past state conferences, I am truly happy to say we have many talented, expressive, and creative members that are very beneficial to this organization. Now, I hope to be helpful to you all and make this organization beneficial to you as well. I am grateful to be able to work and serve for such a hardworking organization and delegation.

I hope you achieve many goals and enjoy multiple successes this year in your TSA career. I am looking forward to a great year!

Best wishes to everyone,

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