



Madeline Wolff

My name is Madeline Wolff. I am competing in the Morgan Grand Nationals Youth of the Year contest. This is my second time competing! At 17 years old, I am a full-time college student at Butler Community College, participating in the early college academy while in high school. This program allows me to spend more time doing what I love. I am gaining more time at the barn, working horses and volunteering at my local equine veterinarian office. I am allowed so many opportunities to learn more about horses. My two older siblings, Abby and Luke, are both in college and help me to be the best version of myself. My parents, Jason and Krista, greatly support me in all my endeavors. My mom was the one who started it all for me. I began riding Morgan horses when I was seven years old after my mom received a coupon for camp at the Wichita Riding Academy. That week, my life was forever changed. I took lessons, and then I participated in my first show. Then, I realized I only wanted to spend time with horses. Today, I ride, help other riding students, and always clean up at the barn. I also have two fabulous trainers, Cheryl Manahan and Mike Perrillo. Both of them have helped me grow in my riding abilities and who I am today. My outstanding mare, Clayhill Justified, known as 'Jessie,' will be showing hunt seat equitation and pleasure at the Morgan Grand Nationals with me this year. I am also showing two beautiful horses, Alphastar Carmen's Agent and C-My Aces. This past summer, I had the opportunity to shadow my local veterinarian. My experience working for Dr. Jim Speer has provided me with a wide range of educational opportunities. The Youth of the Year contest would be an honor and a privilege for me to win. To achieve this would be a huge accomplishment for me. Should I win, I would use the prize money to encourage youth involvement in youth contests. I would like to be selected as the outstanding Morgan Youth of the Year because of my ability to inspire young riders to be passionate about Morgans and what they can do. Participating in youth contests has been a great way for me to meet new people. It has been such a positive environment and very educational for me. I am very appreciative to all those who have helped me.