



ABIGAIL RUTLEDGE

2020 EAO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

BENTON HIGH SCHOOL

Abigail Suzanne Rutledge, the daughter of John Rutledge and Brenda LeChien of Benton, is a 2020 summa cum laude graduate of Benton High School. At Benton High she served as the student body vice president, the junior class vice president and a freshman and a sophomore class senator. She was a member of the National Honor Society. She was a school ambassador Gold Jacket and participated in many clubs including Interact, FCA, the Homecoming and Prom Committee, and the Students Against Destructive Decisions Club. She competed for the Lady Tigers in soccer, cross country, track, volleyball and archery. She is a Louisiana state champion in both bullseye and 3D earning a scholarship and a state champion bow. She trains in Olympic Recurve archery at Hoot and Holler Training Academy and is a two-time Louisiana Vegas champion and a Louisiana Junior Olympic Archery Development state champion. She is also a Level 2 USA archery instructor.

Abigail serves her community in many ways. She is an active member of Benton United Methodist Church where she has served as a Sunday school teacher, assisted with children's sermons and children's church, distributed food and participates in youth ministries. Through BUMC she has participated in mission trips to Chicago and in Appalachia. Abigail is a four-time St. Jude Hero for Memphis marathon weekend while participating in the 5K, 10k and half marathons. She has raised over \$5,000 for the patients of St. Jude. Abigail has received many scholarships from various organizations. In the fall, she will attend Texas A&M University at College Station on an archery scholarship where she will compete with the national champion TAMU Archery Club. She will major in economics in hopes of one day working for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Highlights

GPA: 4.2

Attending: Texas A&M University

Major: Economics