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Rose Selected to Represent Western as Nigh Scholar

ALTUS, Okla. – Western Oklahoma State College student Claire Rose, recently attended the 2022 Nigh Leadership Academy as a Nigh Scholar at the University of Central Oklahoma.

Rose is a sophomore at Western from Sentinel, Oklahoma. Not only is Claire the student body president, but she is also involved in the Science Club, MRBC College Ministries, Phi Theta Kappa President, and is a Western Navigator. She plans to transfer to Oklahoma State University to pursue a Biochemistry and Molecular Biology degree and then complete the pre-requisites for medical school.

“I am honored to have represented Western at the Nigh Leadership Academy. Former Governor George and Donna Nigh were gracious and inspiring with their time and resources as our hosts. I appreciate the opportunity to learn and share ideas with other leaders about what is happening on campuses around the state,” said Rose.

Former Gov. Frank Keating established the George and Donna Nigh Public Service Scholarship in 1999. The purpose is to allow each of the two and four year higher educational institutions to select and honor one student each year as a Nigh Scholar. Each student selected receive a one-time \$1,000 Leadership Scholarship.

The academy provides students with opportunities to increase both leadership and personal skills. The students heard from many powerful speakers and visited both the Oklahoma Memorial and the First Americans Museum. The Nigh Leadership Academy is supported by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, which contracts with the Nigh Academy for implementation. During the history of the academy, more than 600 students have been awarded the title of Nigh Scholar.



Chancellor Allison Garrett, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and Claire Rose, WOSC Student Body President and