

Sophie Johnson



Sophie Johnson is the recipient of a \$1,500 Book Scholarship from the R.W. Sorrell Scholarship Fund. She graduated on June 11th from the Girard Academic Music Program, a public magnet secondary school in Philadelphia, with an outstanding GPA of 4.09. Sophie received all A's throughout high school. She will be attending **Eckerd College** and **Circle in the Square's Musical Theater** in the fall to pursue a degree in Musical Theater. Sophie describes music theater as her "one true love." She has a deep love for music and it shows when she speaks of it.

As president of her Student Council, Sophie was a very proactive and compassionate leader. She actively looked for ways to support her school community, as well as, the broader community by rallying students to get involved and make a difference. She used her platform to facilitate events such as Breast Cancer Awareness and Research. The students raised \$800 through a bake sale and donated the proceeds to "Living Beyond Breast Cancer." Another school event focused on planning and executing a successful, first ever, clothing swap. The clothes donated by the students, and not taken during the swap, were donated to Cradles to Crayons. Under Sophie's leadership, the school held blood drives, led a food drive to benefit Philabundance and organized a movie night to support the wild fires in Los Angeles. Other school-related activities that she was involved in, or served in a leadership role, included Co-Founder/President of Drama Club; several choirs; Social Media Manager and the Creative Writing Club. Aside from her extracurricular activities at school, Sophie maintains a job teaching beginner students (ages 3-7) in ballet and music theatre courses. She has managed to balance a challenging academic load along with school musical theatre, performances and lessons.

Sophie presents as a soft-spoken, hard-working young lady who is an excellent student, resourceful and able to inspire others to act. She is also described as a talented actress and vocalist.

We wish Sophie all the best on her educational journey! ■