

## A letter from Hanna Warneke 2020 National Tunis Sheep Queen

Hi everyone! I'm Hanna Warnecke, the 2020 National Tunis Queen. I was crowned at the 2019 North American International Livestock Expo. I'm very excited for this year as Tunis Queen. I plan on traveling to many different county and state fairs, the National Shows and Sales to showcase, support, and represent the Tunis youth and the breed.

I am currently a high school sophomore in the small town of Columbus Grove, Ohio, where I am actively working on building up my own Tunis and Suffolk flocks. My love for this breed began a few years ago when a family friend let me exhibit one of their Tunis sheep at the county fair and teaching me all about the breed. Later they asked me to tag along to help show their Tunis sheep at NAILE. It was my first big show, and the amount of support I received from the Tunis community there blew me away. As much as I love the Tunis sheep themselves, the community around them must be the best part! I knew after that show that this breed and this community was something I wanted to stick with for a very long time. I have since traveled to many other shows, and I've enjoyed meeting all the other Tunis exhibitors at everyone. In my own free time, I enjoy anything to do with 4-H. I exhibit market hogs, market lambs, and breeding sheep at my county fair, along with being a 4-H camp counselor. I am a member of my county's junior fair board, and actively involved in our junior leaders' program, and serving as a community service leader in my 4-H club. I am also very active in the music department, being a member of my high school's competitive marching band, pep band, concert band, and having participated in solo and ensemble, a jazz quartet, and various other musical competitions. I am also very involved within my church and within my youth group. I am so excited to get to meet you all this year as Queen, and I can't wait to see what the future has in store for the Tunis breed!