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Abigail Roberts, a senior at Captain Shreve High School in Shreveport, was the recipient of the 2019 Civics in Action Award, presented by the Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education (LCLCE). The award recognizes an outstanding middle or high school student who has demonstrated outstanding civic virtue and involvement in his/her community. The plaque was presented by Louisiana Supreme Court Associate Justice Scott J. Crichton at the Justice Catherine D. Kimball Summer Institute.

An excellent student at Captain Shreve high School in Shreveport, LA, Abigail carries a 4.7 GPA, scored a 30 on the ACT, and is a third-year member of the National Honor Society. She is active in multiple organizations around her school and is president of the Z Club.

She is a talented athlete, serving as captain of the Captain Shreve volleyball team. She is the first Captain Shreve volleyball player to earn an athletic scholarship.

Abigail is an academically gifted student athlete who has a heart for classmates who have trouble fitting in. In 2017, she approached her school's principal about starting the "No One Eats Alone Club", an organization that reaches out to students to prevent isolation. This program works to prevent bullying before it starts. It is a student run organization designed to make all kids feel included, valued and accepted by their peers. After figuring out the logistics of how it would work, Abigail's plan came to fruition, fostering a school environment friendly to students who felt like they did not fit in.