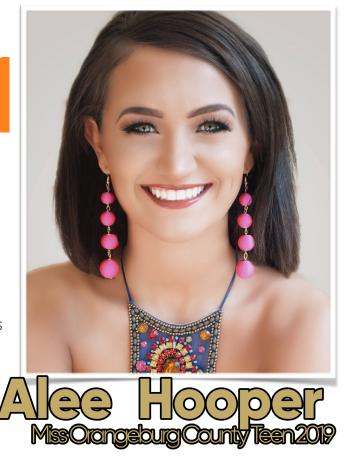
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Barnwell Native to compete in the 2019 Miss South Carolina Teen Scholarship Competition!

Alee Hooper, a 17-year-old native of Barnwell, South Carolina is the reigning Miss Orangeburg County Teen 2019. A rising senior at Barnwell High School, Alee is the daughter of Matt Hooper and Denise Baxley of Barnwell, SC. She is overjoyed for the opportunity to compete this June. "I am so excited. This is a dream come true because this title is such an amazing way to help young women stress issues that are meaningful to us." She also looks forward to being an advocate for the Orangeburg community through her personal platform, "Uniquely Special – more opportunities for special needs".



"I have been so wonderfully blessed so far as Miss Orangeburg County Teen. I have participated in countless service activities, raised money for Children's Miracle Network, and dug deeper into my platform. Here recently, I said goodbye to the special needs class that I mentored and it made me realize what my purpose for competing is. My title has given me the opportunity to stress the importance of creating more opportunities for special needs and I know all of the kids that I helped mentor and gain confidence along the way are cheering me on from afar! Here we are... 6 months after I was crowned Miss Orangeburg Teen and it is just about time for Miss South Carolina Teen. I have learned so many valuable lessons and I have to say that these last months have been the best of my life! I can't wait to compete for my dream job of Miss South Carolina Teen and I am so thankful for all of the support and love I have received from everyone." says Alee. "

The CROWN Group is the licensed sponsor of the Miss Orangeburg County/ Miss Garden City & Miss Orangeburg County Teen/ Miss Garden City Teen Scholarship Organization and is very proud to be a part of the Miss America Scholarship Organization. This organization awarded nearly \$10 million dollars to young women to pursue their educational dreams. Alee and her sister queens Addie Ledbetter, Miss Orangeburg County 2019; Magdalena Willis, Miss Garden City 2019 and Zaria Sumpter, Miss Garden City Teen 2019 have only days left before the competition begins. For more information on how you can sponsor and support Alee, please visit The CROWN Group Orangeburg website online at: www.thecrowngroup1.com.