

## **Cambrey Rogers – TX**

It is safe to say I fell in love with the Opti class long before I had a child old enough to sail. I had the privilege of watching my nephews Wiley & Zane Rogers grow up in the class and I knew this is something I wanted for my own children. Now that my oldest, Ian (10), is sailing with White Fleet and attending events across the country, I have a much closer look at just how special this sport truly is. Ian's acceptance into the ODP2 program last year brought a new appreciation of all the opportunities USODA provides for our sailors. Now I look forward to our little Lauren (4) heading out with the Learn to Sail group next Spring. There is no doubt that she will be anxious to hit the Green Fleet line at all of her brother's regattas as soon as her Dad gives her the thumbs up.

I have had the pleasure of serving the youth sailing community in several capacities. As an active member of the Lakewood Yacht Club Youth Sailing Committee I worked with the 2020 KO Optimist Team Trials committee, and the Youth Strategic Planning committee. I also assisted in the planning for the 2020 National Team Practice at Lakewood. I firmly believe that my service to the Opti class is even more critical today as we begin to survey our pipelines and prioritize growth in the wake of COVID 19.

My background is in Early Childhood Development and I have a masters degree in Information Science. Most recently, I spend my time chasing after kids in boats and working on design based projects for local businesses.