

Clarksdale sophomore named **SAVE Shining Star**

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Danai Winters, a sophomore at Clarksdale High School, has been honored by the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere as the SAVE Shining Star for the month of January, for her impactful efforts in making her community safer.

“SAVE is thrilled to honor Danai for her dedication to engaging, empowering and educating her peers in effective violence prevention practices,” said Carleen Wray, Executive Director of SAVE.

Winters led a school-wide pledge against bullying during October and hand crafted signs for her peers to sign when they took a pledge to stop bullying. She then personally manned the information table during lunch, talking to her peers about the importance of building each other up, rather than tearing each other down.

Overall, Danai understands that violence is more than a physical act and she has worked very hard to bring awareness about bullying (online, verbal and physical) to her peers, Wray stated in announcing the honor.

This outstanding national recognition is only awarded to one student in the country each month, regardless of age or school location.