



Don Anderson could not wait to start saving for his first grandchild's college education. In fact, Anderson didn't wait. He opened an Oklahoma College Savings Plan account on the day Sophie Anderson was born – September 16th. While opening the 529 saving account online, the Oklahoma State University alum noticed OCSP's ongoing VIP Fan Experience Sweepstakes and registered for the OSU VIP package. Two weeks after opening an account for Sophie, Don learned he had won.

Anderson, his granddaughter, son and daughter-in-law attended an October 2nd press conference at the State Capital with State Treasurer Scott Meacham who is Board Chairman of the Oklahoma College Savings Plan.

"I'm pleased that Don, his granddaughter Sophie and Sophie's parents, Jon and Stephanie could join us today because this is really what the Oklahoma College Savings Plan is all about. It's about Oklahoma children like Sophie having the brightest and most promising future possible.

Anderson and three family members received a behind the scenes tour of the new Boone Pickens Stadium at OSU, a personalized OSU football jersey, a football autographed by Cowboy Coach Mike Gundy and 4 Club level tickets to the OSU Texas A&M game on October 4, 2008.

"During the tour, we had the field to ourselves and got kind of giddy. In the east end zone, my son Jon and step-son Wade laid down on the turf and made angels like little kids do when it snows," said Anderson. "It was also great to get to meet John Holcomb and Dave Hunzicker who call the game on the radio for the Cowboys. But the best part was being on the field for kickoff – for a football fan you couldn't ask for a better experience."

Anderson says he also enjoyed watching his team trounce Texas A&M 56 to 28.

A former Oklahoma state legislator for District 36 in Osage County from 1980-88 and former director of the Oklahoma State Department of Mental Health, Anderson says it's a tradition in his family for the grandparents to pitch in and start a college savings account for the grandchildren.

"My college education was paid for with money my grandparents saved for me and my son Jon's grandmother helped pay for his college education," said Anderson. "I did this because obviously it's an investment for Sophie's future, but it also helps out Sophie's parents in hard economic times when they need those extra dollars."

Anderson says he planned to open an account for Sophie as early as possible.

"I planned to do this ever since I knew there was going to be a Sophie," said Anderson. "Because you can give a newborn clothes or toys, but they will outgrow those items and a 529 account is an investment that will really pay off in 2027 when Sophie graduates and says 'what do I want to do for a living?'"

Now that Sophie has a 529 college savings account through the Oklahoma College Saving Plan, Anderson says he only has one concern about her future college plans.

"I'm an OSU graduate, my wife is an OSU graduate, Sophie's parents, Jon and Stephanie are OSU graduates and we're really hoping Sophie grows up to be an OSU Cowgirl. She will still

have college money in hand no matter where she goes, but as her grandfather, I'm going to do my part to encourage her to head to Stillwater after high school."

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OSU VIP winner, Don Anderson and Jon pause for a photo next to the Heisman Trophy during their behind the scenes tour of the new Boone Pickens Stadium.