

# Kids with character



Akron  
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# Michael

Michael is a 13 year old in the Wadsworth Public System. He cares a great deal about the well being of others and seems to be happiest when he's helping someone else. Last year when he noticed that a classmate never brought a lunch, he started packing an extra lunch to bring to his buddy. He lost both of his grandfathers recently, but he was always there for them, helping in whatever was needed. However, the trait which most seems to define him is courage. Michael was born with a serious and chronic medical condition effecting his respiratory system. As a result, he has to spend long periods of time in the hospital and routinely undergoes painful medical procedures. He rarely complains and is more focused on the blessings around him rather than the problems. His zest for life is complete and he faces his future bravely and with expectation.

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