Learning During the Pandemic

Jackson Family - Limited Options, Heroic Results

Remote learning has been agonizing for a lot of students and their families, but for Foundation Champion Dom, who has special needs, and his parents, it’s been a trial all the way around. Dom has Pfeiffer Syndrome which prevented his skull from expanding properly since birth and has affected his appearance and neurological development. Dom and his older brother Donavan are learning remotely while their parents EJ and Eileen now both work from home. They find it challenging with “virtual school” to meet Dom’s needs as well as their own.

Even with daunting circumstances, they say Dom is doing relatively well, and are relieved they can see him move ahead in his schooling, despite missing the hands-on, in-person support of his teachers and therapists. EJ and Eileen orchestrate their breaks, lunch hours, evening hours, and tasks to keep Dom engaged while accomplishing schoolwork that is so vital to his progress.

Three cheers for a monumental effort Jackson Family
You are heroes to us all!
MEET THOMAS - THE HUMBLE ARTIST

Rave reviews from the staff, donors, and other Champions of the Foundation have awakened Thomas to the beauty he creates almost effortlessly. Thomas is far too modest, even dismissive, about his creative skills, but his geometric art and even an original portrait of Champion Reggie Bibbs all speak for themselves. Living with a condition that is progressively leading to blindness (Choroideremia), Thomas carefully manicures his intricate creations on the specialized tablet provided by the Foundation to turn out pieces that several people have asked to buy.

MEDICAL NEWS

Children’s Hospital Denver is excited to share the opening of a new clinic focused specifically on rare conditions including DUP15q which Courageous Faces Champion, Aidan experiences. The clinic is an encouraging step for Aidan and a years-long victory for his parents, Adrienne and Robert. They worked tirelessly to see a clinic established to help with the myriad of challenges Aidan and others face daily. Both Adrienne and Robert have shifted their work schedules so one or the other of them is always home with Aidan. They are optimistic the clinic will advance research into the condition and bring hope to others facing the same challenges.

Read more at www.courageousfacesfoundation.org
LEADERSHIP AT IT’S BEST

What better way to implement leadership and sculpt her future than facilitating our Courageous Faces Champions in our weekly Zoom meet up! Sophie, a Graduate Psychology major, has taken the reins planning, connecting, and navigating our group. Beginning with an initial Happiness Course (The Science of Wellbeing from Yale), Sophie leads the group to create practical strategies to increase happiness during the pandemic.

As one of our Champions, she knows firsthand the daily differences of living with a medical condition, Charcot Marie Tooth Disease, which attacks nerves and atrophies muscle strength over time. Her transparency in her struggles, encourages other Champions to be more open about theirs. From the greeting to the conclusion, Sophie weaves her way in and out of helpful insights and down-to-earth coping skills each Champion can use to navigate through the pandemic and its increased isolation and loneliness. She is a bright light who always leaves the participants more hopeful and encouraged than when they arrived.

Read More about Sophie & Other Champions at www.courageousfacesfoundation.org
DONOR IMPACT

Quite a makeover for Foundation Champion Cassidy who as a young teen is taking on her first year of high school. Cassidy not only has a rare form of dwarfism but her condition has also caused irregular hair growth. Cassidy said she was teased frequently because of her appearance, which can be quite hurtful, especially when trying to fit into a new school.

Courageous Faces Foundation Donors provided a custom wig for Cassidy which dramatically brightened her look. She says she is thrilled with her new styling which has provided a boost in how people see her and how she feels about herself. Thank you, donors!

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