

Aubrey Williams- Courage

Aubrey was born with a condition called Charge Syndrome. She has faced many obstacles in her young life. She is a 4th grade student at Summit Pointe Elementary. This school year she has faced her own feelings of doubt and insecurity. Aubrey has helped me, the school counselor, to present lessons in a 1st grade class, three 2nd grade classes and three 3rd grade classes. Each of the lessons dealt with diversity and acceptance of others. Aubrey was able to share with the classes about Charge Syndrome and the struggles she has faced in school. She has also shared with classes the need to accept others even in the face of differences.

Aubrey relates well to adults, but sharing with children has been a struggle. The courage it took for Aubrey to stand in front of children and share openly about her life was amazing. She showed pictures of her young years and talked openly about her many surgeries. The confidence and excitement she expressed while planning and presenting the lessons was something to see.

As Aubrey continues her education she will face more challenges, but I am confident she will face each obstacle with courage.

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