



Jason Cret
Arthritis Walk Honoree
Chicago, IL

Jason was just four years old when he was diagnosed with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis (JRA). The brave little boy that his mom describes as “happy and compassionate” is now in remission. He is comfortable doing all the things he has always done, and is proud of the fact that he is a good student. His favorite subject is science and he looks forward to going to college one day.

Jason enjoys playing outside and listening to music. When you ask him about the challenges of his arthritis he responds with a big smile and replies, “I want to feel good, so I can do good things.” He is so true to his conviction that he participated in a medical study of his own accord. His mom didn’t want him to participate but Jason said, “If I can help other kids feel better it’s worth it. I am not afraid of the needles.”

Jason’s courageous outlook and endless determination is what makes the Arthritis Foundation proud to have him as the 2012 Arthritis Walk Honoree.

About the Arthritis Foundation

The Arthritis Foundation (www.arthritis.org) is committed to raising awareness and reducing the unacceptable impact of arthritis, which strikes one in every five adults and 300,000 children, and is the nation’s leading cause of disability. To conquer this painful, debilitating disease, we support education, research, advocacy and other vital programs and services.