

WALK to CURE ARTHRITISSM



Evan Miller
2014 Walk to Cure Arthritis
Youth Honoree
Chicago, IL

Evan was diagnosed with juvenile idiopathic arthritis (JIA) in 2012. He was familiar with the challenges the disease can bring, because his big brother also suffers from JIA. When Evan started having similar symptoms to what his brother had experienced, his doctor began to prepare him for a possible JIA diagnosis. He is currently taking Naproxen as needed and is close to remission.

He is not as physically active as he would like to be, and feels proud of the years he played sports. Evan enjoys relaxing and playing video games and practicing sports with his brother. He volunteers at a local dog shelter and has three dogs of his own.

Evan's favorite subject in school is physical education because he loves any chance to be active. He hopes to become an NFL player just like his dad.

When asked why he likes being involved with the Arthritis Foundation Evan said, "I want to help find a cure and get more funding for juvenile arthritis. They helped me notice that it could be worse and I am thankful for the position I am in. I want to take action and find a cure."

Evan, the courage you have shown despite your challenges is amazing. We are thrilled to recognize you as the 2014 Walk to Cure Arthritis Youth 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.