

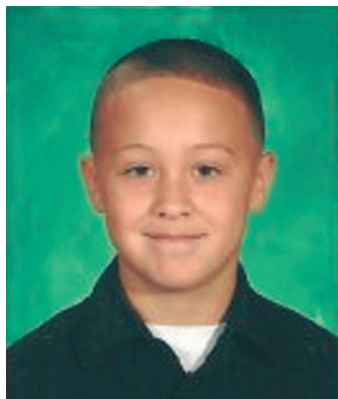
# Kids with Character

At an age when most kids are beginning to collect things, Jaren O'Connor is giving things away. The 10-year-old donates his clothes and his toys to those in need, and goes out of his way to share his time, too.

"Jaren goes with me to the nursing home and is very kind to the residents," said his grandmother, Donna Krzyaniak, who nominated him for The Chronicle-Telegram's Kid With Character. "He loves school and gets very good grades."

A fourth-grader at Windsor School in Elyria, Jaren is a black belt, recently finished a wrestling program at Elyria Youth Bidy and is learning to play golf with his grandfather, Joe.

Jaren lives with his mother, Nicole, and his sisters Kaitlyn, 18, and Arianna, 8.



## Jaren

*This recognition showcases students who have made a difference by accepting responsibility, showing kindness, valuing others' concerns, helping resolve conflicts and honoring their commitments.*



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