



EMPOWERING *people with disabilities*



Jacob is 13-years-old and currently attends Ecole Avalon Junior High School. He lives with his parents Jennifer and Jay, along with three siblings - Ethan, Mitchell and Kathryn.

Jacob faces daily challenges as he learns to cope with a recent kidney disease diagnosis. Living a normal active life is difficult - with challenges around pain, nausea and low energy. He also lives with various medical appointments and multiple medications.

Easter Seals Alberta made a huge difference in Jacob's life when he attended Easter Seals Camp Horizon. Meeting people with a similar diagnosis provided him much needed support and new found friendships. Camp allowed Jacob time to get to know his medical team on a more personal level, making his clinical sessions more relaxed.

Besides hockey and the Edmonton Oilers, Jacob loves computers and gadgets, or any item with buttons! At Camp, Jacob's favourite memory was the giant swing. He liked "the feeling of dropping out of the sky when you least expect it."

Jacob is considering a variety of career options - from radio or TV host, to police officer or politician. He really wants to help improve things in his community and society. Most importantly, he wants people to "not judge by what they see".