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Hi Everyone,

Since **Tabs for Wheelchairs** was unable to have their assembly in June to present Isaac and Jasper's wheelchairs, their parents weren't able to express their thanks for these truly special gifts to their children. The following are pictures of both of them in their new specialized wheelchairs and words of thanks from their families.

Thank you Gwen and TABS from the Vint Family

Isaac could not be more excited about receiving his sports wheelchair from the Tabs program! From the day Isaac was chosen to receive one, he had been eagerly awaiting this incredible chair. Isaac is a very athletic kid who plays sledge hockey, baseball and wheelchair basketball. We had always wanted to get Isaac a sports chair but we knew it would not be affordable for us until he was older, so for him to have his own now, is wonderful! When Isaac went to basketball with his rec league, they had to share the wheelchairs. It was still lots of fun but to now have his own offers so much more independence and he can use it on the court near our house and even takes it to school for gym class. It allows him to move way faster and it's lighter than his regular chair so he can compete. It is also much lighter to carry as it can fold up. It was really special to be part of the Tabs for Wheelchairs program. We were touched to see how many friends and families, work colleagues, and Isaac's school all got involved in collecting tabs. Our daughter is still making coffee cans and bringing them to places that might collect. It's been lovely to see our community take an interest in this! Because of Covid, Isaac didn't get the same ceremony but it was a very exciting day when the van pulled up and delivered a shiny new sport wheelchair to a thrilled boy shouting, "NO WAY! NO WAY!" We are so grateful for TABS and feel very lucky. We will continue to collect for the next kid and spread the word for such a wonderful organization!



Thank you from Jasper's family

On behalf of Jasper, I would like to say that I am so proud of my community for coming together to collect the number of tabs we ended up with! Tabs continued to get dropped off at our home on a weekly basis. I am forever grateful to my family, my school, Riverview, and my schoolmates and their families, to Mr. Labuick and my great uncle, Smitty's Family Restaurant, my mom's clients, who dropped off bag after bag of tabs, when coming for their appointments. My biggest thanks would have to go out to Theresa Blaine for nominating me for my chair! Without her, this wouldn't be possible for me! Thank you Gwen and Tabs for Wheelchairs for making this a yearly to do for myself and every child who receives chairs through this program. May everyone have a safe and happy rest of the year and thanks once again!
I absolutely love my new wheels!!!

Sincerely,

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