

Isaiah

Because with your gift, children like Isaiah will never miss another recess.

What motivates Isaiah? Outdoor Recess.

"If you can't get your seat work done, then you can't go out for recess. I couldn't get anything done. I never got to go out for recess." Isaiah is having a fantastic year in third grade at a local preparatory school. But last year was another story. He and his grandparents tell us that it wasn't just his apraxia of speech that presented a challenge in the classroom—he had frustrations with his slow processing speed and handwriting. He "just couldn't get his work done." That's when his Occupational Therapist at Columbus Speech & Hearing Center was able to treat him for incoordination, which affects his motor skill development. Between 5-8% of all school aged children are diagnosed with incoordination, which means that they have trouble planning and completing motor tasks.

To help Isaiah succeed in the classroom, Occupational Therapists work with him on gross and fine motor skills.

Just recently, Isaiah started Interactive Metronome in OT that has been effective in improving his timing and sequencing to increase his writing speed. With the help of OT services, he can get where he needs to be—successful and confident in the classroom—so that he can be out on the playground every day!

