Write about a time you felt proud of yourself



I was so proud when we won our first game in basketball. I dribbled, I tried to shoot, and I made it. I made the winning shot! That day I was so proud. Jordan Witt, 2nd, Mount Carmel Elementary, Mrs. Short

I got a certificate for honor roll and I was so excited. I told my mom and she was proud of me. I hung it up on my wall and that's why I'm proud of something. Emma Wright, 6th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Jones

I am proud that I did my first backflip by myself. It was scary when I did my first backflip by myself. I thought I was going to fall. I was proud when I did my first back flip.

Holden Huff, 1st, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Light

Playing sports makes me proud. My mom watches me play sports sometimes. The first sport that I played was soccer. Now that I am older I play basketball in my driveway. I shoot some hoops and when I am done I go inside and get some water. Sometimes I will go back outside with my water and play some more basketball and some soccer. I will practice more and more so I can get better.

Trever Keith, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers

l was proud when I learned to ride my bike. Elijah Vermillion, Kindergarten, Hilton Elementary, Ms. Howe

When it comes to amusement parks or state fairs, I would rather go to an amusement park. My favorite amusement park is Busch Gardens in Tampa, Florida. Busch Gardens has many rides, all with different personalities. It is set up to look like Egypt and other parts of Africa. I have two favorite rides, Cheetah Hunt and Cobra's Curse. On Cheetah Hunt you are on a roller coaster that looks like a cheetah, at the cheetah's speed. You are taken through a part of the park that is a zoo. On Cobra's Curse you ride in a little box car that spins around in every direction while a big cobra statue is talking to you. I love this ride, which is pretty ironic considering I am terrified of snakes. I'm so excited to go back in July. Can't wait! **Mia Lipe, 2nd, Mount Carmel Elementary, Mrs. Strickler**

I am proud of my house I built in Minecraft. Minecraft is fun because it has 3 different modes. The modes are survival, creative, and adventure. I like creative because you can fly and build a mansion. This is what I'm proud of.

James Osborne, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Edwards

A time I felt proud of what I did was when I sang in chorus, because I was scared to get up and sing in front of people. I'm not scared to do that anymore. **Makayla Burgan, 7th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Brooks**

II felt proud the time I forgave a dear one. I was very forthright about how I felt about the situation and made it very clear I never wanted to see them again. What they did made them seem to be a nefarious individual, but it's not good to hold grudges. Of course it hurt, but I was in a particularly haggard mood. I hate fighting, so I dropped it. Everyone makes mistakes that they're not proud of. If it's a real friendship, you WILL overcome the obstacles. I'm glad I decided to forgive because now I'm happier than ever, and I've never been happy this long. I'm proud of myself for forgiving.

Katherine Fierros, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley

I was proud of myself when I landed a back handspring. I was at a competition. I was really scared because I had practiced before, but I never landed. I was really glad and proud of myself when I landed on my feet.

Taylor Starnes, 2nd, Mount Carmel Elementary, Mrs. Spradlin

I started roller skating October 6, 2018 and I've been at the skating rink practicing 2 to 3 times a week. Skating is my one thing I could do forever. After skating for a few weeks, I got the hang of all the crossovers and going backwards. I was so happy and proud. Now after five months of skating I can spin, go backwards, and cross over. My newest achievement is skating sideways. It's an odd thing to pick up on

because you have to turn your feet sideways and have your heels together while your back leg controls speed and your front leg steers. I was so happy and I'm so proud of myself. After five long hard months of

training I've finally joined a speed team! Zoey Emmert, 7th, Holston Valley Middle, Mrs. Taylor

A time I was proud was when I did Share the Fun for the first time. I was so nervous. I was going to do twirling and I did not think I was that good. My friend did twirling too so she helped me. I had a lot of people to go against and some of them were my friends. I had so much fun in my twirling class. That was that time I was proud of something I did.

Jayme Livesay, 5th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Austin

I felt proud of myself when I won my first basketball game. I also felt proud when I made all A's on my report card.

Isabella Dingus, 2nd, Nickelsville Elementary, Mrs. Gilmer

My little brother had an unpainted broken down old toy lawnmower. I surprised him by painting it up for him. My Uncle Fred fixed the wheel that was broken. **Corey Smith, 6th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Jones**

Well, I'm making a comic book right now. It has taken me a year and a half to make it. I do want to say thanks to Mom and Dad for helping me with it. That's

what I'm proud of, my comic. Sharlotte Penix, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers

I was proud when I tied my shoes.

Brylee Hall, Kindergarten, Hilton Elementary, Ms. Howe

I felt proud of myself when I went swimming. I like that I am able to ride a bike without training wheels. I also make good grades in school.

Derek Hughes, 2nd, Nickelsville Elementary, Mrs. Gilmer



I did something that I was really proud of when I helped my sister find her ring. We looked under the couch and we looked under our desk. I finally found it

in the hamper. That is what I did for my sister. Isabella McMurray, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Edwards

One time I felt proud of myself was when I donated winter items to a homeless shelter. I did this with

my church and we made soup for them too. We did this because one, we want to spread the gospel and two, we felt it was the right thing to do. We also gave combs, socks, jackets, non-perishable food items, dental floss, toothpaste, and toothbrushes etc. I felt proud because we made a lot of people happy that day. We also did this for another homeless shelter at church. We made food like cake, mashed potatoes, and more.

John Wise, 7th, Holston Valley Middle, Mrs. Taylor

I felt proud one day when I made a stick bot animation. It took an hour to make. It was a Jurassic park animation. It was blue and green.

Bryson Kelly, 5th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Austin

I am proud of singing in a church. I sang Jesus Loves Me and This Little Light of Mine. I was nervous singing in front of people. I was nervous but proud. I love singing in church.

Abigail Barker, 1st, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Light

About a month and half ago, I was able to perform in one of the greatest events in history—London's New Year's Day Parade. We were required to learn three different routines via video and traveled to one destination as a group to practice three different

times before leaving. In total, there were eight different clogging teams from all over the east coast of the United States. I traveled with ninety-one other cloggers across the pond on December 28th, 2018. I was so excited that after eight years of clogging, I would finally be able to perform internationally which has been my goal for years. While we were there, we had the opportunity to perform four times. We performed first at Trafalgar Square in Central London for media day to kick things off for the parade. This performance was by invitation only, so it made the trip extra special. The second performance we did was at Cadogan Hall, a beautiful concert venue which was also by invitation only. Parade day finally came around and nerves were flying high, but we were all so excited that we didn't even realize how big of an opportunity this really was. A lot of waiting was done while things got started. We were part of the pre-parade, giving the finale grandstand something to look forward to while the parade was starting. Out of the seventy-six performance groups in the parade, we were number seventy-one. Once we finally came

over the blue inflatable that read "LNYDP", it was on. Cameras everywhere, the people smiling and waving—there is really no perfect way to explain it. We walked two miles and even though our feet were aching and we were on little sleep, we knew what we were there to do. At the end of our very last performance in the parade, I remember looking around, feeling so proud that I just made history with all of my lifelong friends, new and old, by my

side. America's Clogging All*Stars will always hold a special place in my heart.

Malia McAmis, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley

I was proud of myself when I won the second grade spelling bee at school in Dr. Adler's class. There were three people remaining. One of them missed a word, then another. I was the last remaining. I got the word right! Then, I got a trophy. Jaxynn Dover. 2nd. Rock Springs Elementary.

Jaxynn Dover, 2nd, Rock Springs Elementary, Mrs. Charlton

A time I felt proud of what I did was when I caught a snake because I thought I had saved my family. **Colten Freeman, 7th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Brooks** Thank you Kingsport Times News 2018 – 2019 NIE Sponsors!

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