Cerebral Palsy Puppet Program

Maximum Number of Students: 50
Program Length: 30 minutes

Program Synopsis
In this puppet presentation, Mark has just moved into the neighborhood and meets Mel for the first time. She is curious about why he is in a wheelchair, and he explains that he has Cerebral Palsy (CP). He talks about the things he likes to do and how CP affects his body and life.

Key Program Points:

- Mark was born with CP, which affects muscle tone (his muscles are stiff), movement, and motor skills. Because of this, he has challenges with walking and talking, but he can do both.

- CP is different for everybody and affects each person differently.

- Mark goes to speech and physical therapy.

- Mark has an active life and plays sports and has responsibilities at home.

- It is okay to ask respectful questions, like Melody does.

- Mark enjoys being with other kids, and sometimes even with his twin brother, Mike.

Resources
- Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports
- Friendship Circle’s blog post about CP resources

Have a good resource you’d like to share? Email Karen at: karen.sharpwolf@vtfn.org

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