



Quick Facts

Hero:
Zach Furman

Grade:
3

Learned Skill:
From his dad

Saved:
His friend, Fletcher Dypwick

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EVERYDAY HERO STORIES:

A Picnic Emergency

Fletcher Dypwick’s third grade class was having a school picnic when he began to choke. Luckily, his friend Zach Furman was close by to save the day.

Zach and his friend Aiden Roberts were on their way to see if Fletcher wanted to sit with them when they saw Fletcher struggling to breath.

“I thought he was throwing up for a second, and Zach says ‘No, no, he’s choking.’ So I ran and got teachers,” Roberts said.

Zach knew what to do and jumped into action.

“I started doing the Heimlich,” said Zach. “I put my hands in a fist and I pulled up because air needs to get up and it can pop the food right out-which it did!”

Zach’s dad taught him how to

perform the maneuver just a couple weeks before the choking incident.

After using the maneuver to save his friend, Zach went back to his lunch and enjoyed the rest of the picnic with his friends.

“I wouldn’t call myself a hero for doing the Heimlich, but I’m glad Fletcher is OK,” said Zach.



Zach, Aiden and Fletcher