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I really try to be inclusive with people I'd like to make people feel like

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they're a part of something.

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Zach has taken on the role of president of Best Buddies and so he planned events, he

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has done all kinds of things to make sure that other people have fun and that

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people with disabilities and everyone is included in those events. I know from my

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daughter he's made her a stronger person and that she believes in herself and she

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feels that she has a voice and that she can that she can be great, you know, he's

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taught them that they are important and they do have a say, and there are

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no limits with him and with those kind of kids

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He puts everybody above himself, the buddies, the peers that volunteer who

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come into our classrooms throughout the day every week with ideas

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or asking how he can help or what he can do. He does best buddies and he drew my

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little freshmen into doing it so he has a way about getting others to give, too.

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At an event one morning we had tons of leftover breakfast burritos so Zach came

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up with the idea to gather up some of the kids, take the breakfast burritos and

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deliver them to people without food. That reminder that everything he does he

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wants to have fun and he wants to do it with a full heart and so that has really

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left an impact on me. He goes above and beyond to help people and help kids with

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disabilities and make sure they all feel integrated and you know that they're

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special. Zach is definitely one of those kids where we can say La Cueva is

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better because he was here.