

# Shining Star

## John O'Boyle

Meet John O'Boyle, eight-year old son of Karen and Mark O'Boyle. John had the honor of having his watercolor painting displayed in the Governor's Office over the summer.

John's painting was chosen by his principal and sent to the Governor's Office. John then traveled with Karen to Indianapolis to meet Governor O'Bannon and see his painting on display.

John is a second-grade student at Indian Village Elementary School in Fort Wayne. His mother, Karen gives credit to his art teacher Jorge Arribasplata for helping John develop his artistic talent. "We had no idea how well he could paint before his artwork was chosen for display," she said. She explained that Mr. Arribasplata works well with all of the students who have special needs, and he is able to bring out their unique abilities that others often overlook.

Besides watercolor painting, John also enjoys singing, watching videos, and using computers. He is taking beginning martial arts classes at Shark Academy.



*John O'Boyle with Indiana Governor Frank O'Bannon*

