

# **Mac Arthur Elementary School**

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### What I Like About Lakewood

I have lived in Lakewood for about for four years. There are many things I like about Lakewood. Let me tell you some. I like how safe Lakewood is .It is a great place to live. I like how good the schools are and how you get a wide variety of schools to choose from. I also like how there are after school activities

I will start with the schools. Most schools in Lakewood are raising their test scores. That shows you how much they are learning. As I told you there is wide variety of schools to choose from. Lakewood is trying to get their own school district. Lakewood schools are GREAT!

Lakewood is a safe place to live. There are lots of police to help keep you safe. There are neighborhood watch people for your neighborhood safety. I like how when you walk outside you know you're safe because of security also because of the good environment

Last but not least I want to tell you how they have after school activities. They have homework clubs to help you with your homework. They have TFN to keep teens off the street They have after school playground to keep kids off the street. They have sports teams to.

Lakewood is a great place to live. It is a good place to play and go to school at. I would suggest it to everyone I know. It is safe. It has many cool things I can not mention all of them. I love Lakewood.

## The Person I Admire

I admire my first teacher that I had at MacArthur Elementary and that's Mrs. Lavelle. I couldn't read well and, she helped me a lot. I also was so afraid to go to school again, and she rooted me on to come to school. The last thing was tests. I did horrible on tests, but she helped me so much that I now pass tests with flying colors.

In reading, Mrs. Lavelle helped me with benchmark tests. In the tests, I started at the beginning of third grade, and now I'm at the end of fifth grade. I had so much trouble then, but I'm so good now. It is easy now that I can read so fast. She helped me learn how to read by using flash cards and by using a system called phonics.

The first day at MacArthur was so scary because I didn't know anyone, and I didn't know as much as the other students did. Mrs. Lavelle told me if I didn't come back to school, then I wouldn't be smart. She said that I would meet new friends, and if I paid attention then I would be smart. So I came back to school, and now I'm really smart. I also love school because of her.

When I would have to do a test, I just couldn't do it. If I had to do a test, I would just pause, and I would almost get either a "C" or a "D". But, Mrs. Lavelle helped me. Sometimes she would keep me after school to help me, and she would help me during school too.

The reason why I chose Mrs. Lavelle as the person I admire in Lakewood is because whenever I had trouble in school she would help me. She helped me so much that now I get straight "A's"!!

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### Lakewood People We Admire

Have you ever noticed how many people live in Lakewood? You probably noticed this when you were walking down a busy street and ran in to at least six different people. This makes Lakewood a place full of admirable people. Well, my dad is one of them. He is a true hero to me. Want to find out more? Well, if you do just read this paper to find out about someone great.

My Dad is a very successful baseball coach. He is one of the main coaches on the team. He is nice when he plays and can make most of the kids listen to him. Also, when most of the kids start to fool around, he breaks it up in a calm manner.

My Dad is also very cautious. Maybe even a little too cautious. He watches us when we listen to music and if he hears one swear word he goes into action! He watches when we watch the television and either approves or disapproves of it. Finally, he also watches what we do on line to make sure that we aren't abusing the privilege.

Last but not least, he is considerate. My Dad gives us treats all of the time for no reason at all. He doesn't go totally ballistic if he sees something horrid or disgusting. Also, he spends a lot of time with us when he's not at work.

For those of you who bothered to read my paper, I hope that you learned a lot about my Dad, my hero. He is a great man and one of the great people of about an estimated thirty-thousand people. I'm glad if you liked the fact that my dad is a successful baseball coach, and a cautious and considerate man. If you see him in a different way, then just remember that he is my hero, and not necessarily your hero, the reader, reading my paper.