

Milburn Elementary School
Milburn Avenue
Baldwin NY 11510

(a very small school one class per grade would be great for John to play here)

7 years old
November 15, 1998

FREEDOM OF SPEECH MEANS TO ME:

Being from a very small school every word counts. Freedom of speech means no conditions of being free to say what you want when you want to. Sometimes I get in trouble for it. Liberty and independence is an ability to move and act freely. Sometimes I move too fast or slow. I have unlimited use of my own words. I can express and communicate my own thoughts in my own spoken ways. Sometimes people don't like my ways. I feel tomorrow holds out its hand to me. But, sometimes tomorrow takes a real long time. I have no keeper and I owe everything to myself and my family. Family makes me complete but sometimes we fight. Freedom of speech is free on the inside and outside. Freedom of speech means there are no liars. Sometimes I get called a liar. I can talk to myself or talk out loud. My words belong to me and your words belong to you. I love God because I just made my communion. I have never seen him but they tell me he is great! I am only 7 years old so what do I know? I hope someone listens to me when I talk so I don't have to repeat myself. I think the younger you are the smarter you are. The older you are the more wisdom you have but it doesn't mean you are smarter. I love America because we have freedom and I am willing to do anything to keep it that way, as long as I don't get in trouble.