

WHEELCHAIR BACKPACK SWIVEL



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CHANDLER

2003

Name

Year Invented

15

12

Current Age

Age at time of Invention

Background:

Product Background

At age 12, Chandler saw his neighbor who is in a wheelchair struggling to get her belongings out of her backpack hanging on the back of her wheelchair.

Both disabled kids and adults who are confined to wheelchairs have this same problem. This is frustrating and forces them to always rely on help from others when in fact they are striving for independence.

Product Description

Chandler's Wheelchair Backpack Swivel aids wheelchair bound people with retrieving their back pack or bag from behind their wheelchair. He came up with a brilliant prototype made of steel tube, elbow fittings, springs, nuts and bolts. This brings a sense of independence and control to a life completely dependent on a chair and the people around them.

Product Success and Accomplishments

- Won the Craftsman/NSTA Young Inventors Contest
- Inducted into the National Gallery for America's Young Inventors
- Won the DaVinci Award for designing for accessibility
- Received endorsements from medical equipment industry experts

"I am requesting that your product development people contact this family or the company representing this product and explore the possibility of bringing this product to market. Wright & Filippis will certainly purchase these for sale to end users in the event that you add this product to your line."

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