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### Champions Challenge 2008

What is a champion? The dictionary defines a champion as a dedicated defender or supporter of a cause or another person. Your champion may be a popular athlete or a famous artist or musician, but my champion is my mom and I will tell you why. My mom is my chauffeur, my mentor and supporter, and a great multi-tasker.

First, she drives me to almost all of my sports games and practices, which includes soccer, volleyball, and lacrosse. If I did not have her, I would not be able to play sports and I would miss out on all the fun and intensity of competition. She also takes me to school and at our house, education is definitely a priority.

She is a mentor to me too. I learn as much or more from her at home as I do at school. She teaches me what is right and wrong and makes sure I obey the rules. She teaches me the value of commitment. She is not only a mentor, but a supporter and encourager as well. My mom is there for all my sports games, cheering me on, and she is always at my music concerts too. I play the alto saxophone in my school's band and she encourages me to practice and get better all the time. She supports me in everything I do.

She is like Super Woman because she can do chores around the house, help me with homework if I need it, work on the computer, and do things for my other two brothers, all at the same time. She never complains about having too much to do. She also volunteers at my and my brothers' schools regularly, helping not only us, but other kids too.

If it was not for my mom, I would not be here today and be able to enjoy every minute of life. I can not even count on all my fingers and toes how much she has done for me. That is what makes my mom my champion.