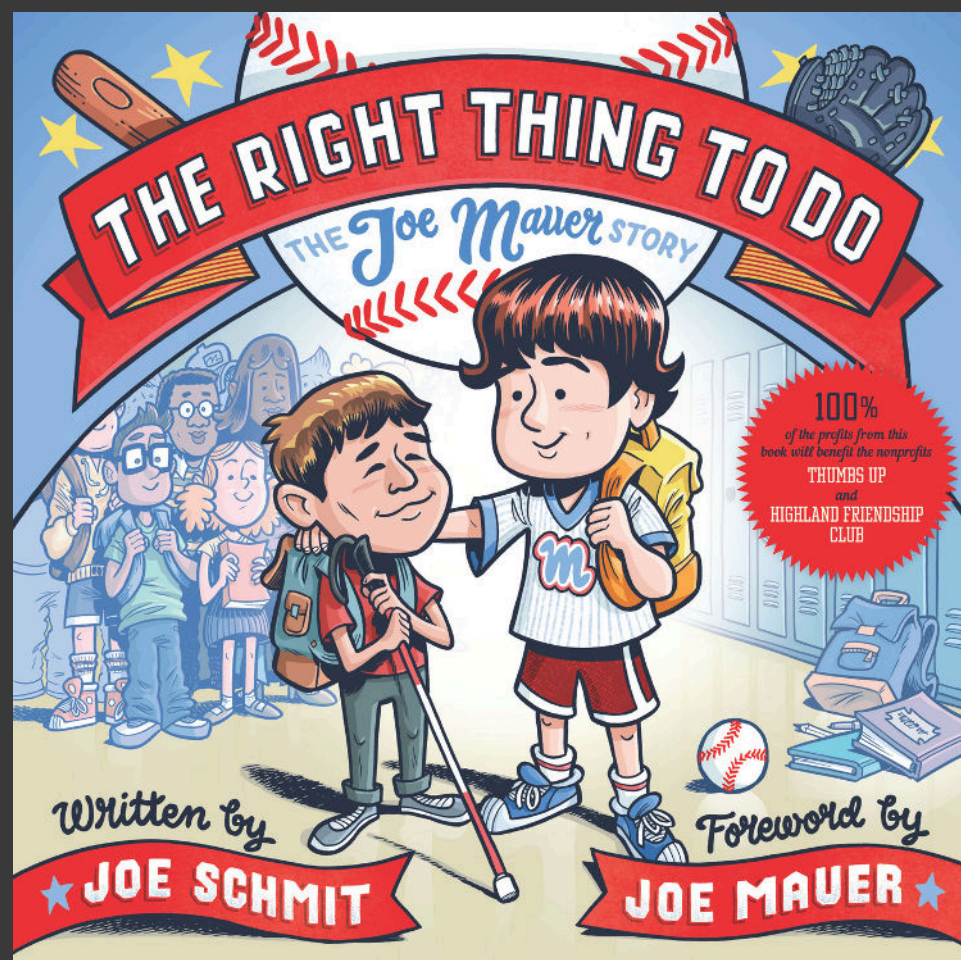


# The Right Thing to Do: The Joe Mauer Story

## Plot Summary

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*Directed by Sandy Boren-Barrett*

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# What is a plot summary?

A **plot summary** is a description of the show, including key events and characters.

Reading a **plot summary** can help someone:

- know what to expect
- reduce anxiety about unexpected moments
- help understand character actions and emotions
- follow the story more easily

## How to Use It:

- read it before attending the show
- use it as a reference during the show
- revisit it after to talk about the story



## Uh Oh! A Big Mistake

- Young Joe accidentally breaks a neighbor's window.
- He thinks about lying to avoid getting in trouble.
- He feels nervous about disappointing his dad.



## Trying Something New

- Joe struggles with baseball at first.
- His dad encourages him to try something new.
- Joe switches how he bats—and it works!



## A Surprising Team Choice

- Kids choose teams for a game of baseball.
- Joe surprises everyone by picking Andrea first.
- Andrea isn't confident but wants to have fun.



## Friendship & Practice

- Joe helps Andrea learn baseball.
- Andrea helps Joe with drawing.
- They both improve by practicing together.



## Finding “Your Thing”

- Joe, Andrea, and Mike each discover what they love.
- They realize passions take time and effort.



## High School

- The friends grow up and enter high school.
- Joe becomes very popular for his sports skills.
- Mike doesn't feel a part of the group of friends.



## A New Friendship

- Joe chooses to sit with Mike.
- Andrea joins them, and they become a group of friends.
- They support and include each other.



## The Food Fight & Big Decision

- Dean bullies Mike, and a food fight breaks out after Andrea throws a cupcake at Dean.
- Joe, Andrea, and Mike get in trouble.
- They must decide: tell the truth or blame someone else.



## Choosing What's Right

- Joe tells the truth, even though it's hard.
- Others learn from his example and make better choices.
- Dean apologizes to Mike for bullying him.



## Looking Ahead

- The friends graduate and think about their futures.
- Joe decides to follow his passion for baseball.
- They promise to support each other no matter what.



# See you at the theatre!

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