

Written Statement

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Being in this facility is not the best experience. One of the things I don't like about is living by some one else's rules. I honestly can't stand how ~~the~~ some of these rules are a little too harsh. They're not for little kids. Also being closed in that one room with the same people every day and having nothing to do drives me nuts. I wish we could go outside a little more. Just a little more freedom.

It also seems like every officer has their own rules. I think officers should be more considerate for little kids. Some of them could be less harsh.

Education here is very low level. I'm learning nothing now even though we get 4 and a half hours of school every day. I would get to do a packet of History or English or algebra but nothing new to me. Nothing I'd be learning back in my school now. Beside the teacher only gives the work but does not explain anything. Sometimes it gets really boring and I just sit there staring at the wall. Recreation time is always the best. Too bad we only get an hour of it. We get to go outside or we can stay inside. Outside we can just sit around or play soccer or volleyball. Inside we basketball.

One of the first things I want to do when I get out - take a long shower and go to bed (my bed). I also want to let people know about this place. I want to tell them what it's like to be detained for no reason at all. What it's like to live by other's rules. What it's like to be in prison. In my opinion, even if they're trying to make this place nicer and look like an actual residential ~~center~~ center, it is still a prison to me.

Conditions for little kids or even babies are really bad. There's no pediatrician. Nurses don't care about if babies sick or not. They treat us like we're nothing. Food for babies is always the same and it's not even refrigerated, meaning that it stays in the room temperature for LONG and then still is given to babies.

I can't wait to get home - I miss my stepdad (Paul), my friends and even school. I'm afraid that I will not be able to graduate my ~~ninth~~^{9th} grade. I'm missing too much school and I'm not getting the ~~same~~ credit I should be that could be sent to my school. I also heard that I might not be able to graduate since I missed so many days.

I also remembered that the guard can have any criminal record as long as there are no deaths.

There's no orthodontical treatment. My tooth is growing into my gum. The wire broke away from the brackets and it hurt. While talking ~~it would hurt~~ my cheek would slide on it and it would hurt even more.