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Social History

**Name:** Missy Green **Report Date:** November 22, 2011

**Sex:** Female **Compiled By:** Sarah Koci

**Date of Birth:** 12/15/1997 **Parents:** Mother: Renee Williams

**Age:** 13 **Address:** 1234 Disneyland Rd., Lenexa, KS

**Home School:** Disneyland Middle **Phone: H:** (316)555-1237

**Placement:** Disneyland Middle

**Grade:** 8th

**Method of Data Collection:**

-Interview with biological mother, Renee Williams

-Interview with student, Missy Green

**Presenting Concern:**

Missy was referred for an initial comprehensive evaluation in order to gather current information regarding academic progress and social and emotional needs to determine a need for special education services.

**Developmental/Health History:**

Renee Williams is the biological mother of Missy. Renee reported that her pregnancy with Missy was full-term and normal. She said that she did not smoke of drink during the pregnancy. Renee stated that she did not even need any medication during the birth because it was her fourth child and it was a very easy birth. Missy has always been a really healthy child with the exception of a cold or the flu here and there. Missy has reading glasses but Renee stated that she doesn’t have to wear them because the doctor only prescribed them because Missy’s sister had them and it made Missy happy. Missy is getting her vision tested again soon. Renee said that all of her children, including Missy, have Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. Missy is being prescribed Adderall-XR for her ADHD. Renee said that she can only get Missy to take her medication one or two times a week because Missy says it makes food taste bad and decreases her appetite. It also causes her not to sleep well. Renee says she never really pushes it on Missy because she thinks it is kind of a good thing that her kids do not want to take pills because Renee believes they will probably find something harmful with the drug in future years.

**Family Background:**

Missy was born in Miami, Oklahoma and she lived there until she was four years old. She then moved to Pittsburg, KS with Renee and her second husband. Renee is currently divorcing her second husband but she has not been with him for a long time. She has been with her current fiancé, Allen, who she moved the kids to Wichita with for five years. She just now has the money to go through with the divorce of her second husband and she has not known where he has been until now. Renee’s second husband was physically abusive to Renee and mentally abusive to the kids. He would always punish the children for things such as laughing or bumping the wall and never let them be kids. He always yelled at them and would never let them play outside or do anything fun. He was very controlling of everyone in the family. Renee did not want the kids to see him beat her up but they did see it quite often. Missy’s real father, Ted, lives in Missouri and does not pay child support nor is he really in Missy’s life. He will call a couple times a year but if Missy calls him “Ted” instead of “dad” he will get angry and hang up the phone which in turn upsets Missy. Renee says Missy only really cares about Allen, her fiancé, and that he is there for her and takes care of the family. He gives Missy the things she needs but not everything she wants. Allen has diabetes and Missy worries about him whenever he is sick. Missy calls Allen “dad.” Renee says that Allen is a good dad and helps Missy with her homework.

Renee graduated from high school and went to a Vo-Tech school. She was 16 when she was pregnant with her oldest child. Allen graduated from high school and has all sorts of licenses. He does plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and more, and works through the Wichita Union. Renee is a stay at home mom she used to be a manager of housekeeping and breakfast at a hotel up until a couple years ago. Renee said that her and Missy have a good relationship. They watch movies together. This past summer when they were on vacation they went boating together. Missy helps Renee and Allen with the Taco Feed for the American Legion and also helps at Christmas to pass out toys. The family will go to the zoo, the circus, and do other fun activities. Renee and Missy also travel with Allen in the camper when he has jobs in other towns. Missy is close to Allen’s mom and calls her grandma. They have Thanksgiving and Christmas with Allen’s family.

Missy has two blood siblings. She has a sister, Abby, who is 17 and is at the Learning Center and will graduate a little behind schedule. She has a brother Caleb who is 19 and a does not live at home. He dropped out of high school and got a job. Missy also had a brother who passed away at age six before she was born. Allen has two daughters that are in Missy’s life. One of his daughters is Taylor and she lives with them. Taylor is 18 and a senior in high school. His other daughter is Ashley who is 21 and she lives on her own but graduated from high school first. Renee said there is the common sibling rivalry between Missy and her siblings but other than that they get along. Her other two siblings always look out for her because she is the baby of the family. They get on Missy If she is in trouble because they want her to succeed.

**School/Behavioral History:**

As a young child Missy went to daycare when Renee worked and then she went to Pre-K. Missy also went to Head Start before Kindergarten. Renee believes that when Missy was younger she did a lot better in school. She also said that Missy always had trouble doing the homework but when she was younger it was easier so she tried harder. Renee says that Missy seems to have gotten worse since middle school because the work is harder and she doesn’t want to do it. She said Missy wants to do grown-up things rather than focus on school. Her grades have always seemed to get worse little by little but they have dropped off a lot since the beginning of middle school. Renee said that Missy needs to go over the material several times because she does not get it the first time except for things that she is really in to. Renee believes she needs more one-on-one help.

Along with Missy’s grades, her behavior has seemed to go downhill since middle school. Renee attributes this to the fact that Missy has become more independent and wants to rebel against authority figures. She said that when Missy was younger she was not defiant. In the last three years, Renee thinks Missy tries to impress her friends and is just trying to get attention whether it be positive or negative attention. Renee said that Missy seems to get in trouble in the hallway when she is with friends because she is trying to show off and get attention. Renee tries to talk to her about it. Missy has run away from home for about an hour or so two or three times during these talks. Allen talks to Missy and tells her that she needs to do things and listen to people in authority because she will always have people above her such as a boss that she has to listen to. Missy started seeing a counselor in August 2011 until the beginning of October 2011. Renee says the counselor discontinued services because Missy was fine but that the counselor did state she believed Missy had a problem with men due to problems with her real dad and Rebecca’s second husband. She believes that Missy puts a wall up to other men because of these two men. Missy in turn has a hard time trusting men and is defiant to men in authority, such as the principal.

Allen gives Missy adequate punishments for things that deserve to be punished. Renee and Allen are starting to be more consistent with their punishments for Missy and follow through with them which is something they would not do in the past. Renee has a hard time punishing Missy because she feels a lot of Missy’s childhood was taken from her when Renee was with her second husband so she feels bad taking away more fun things. Discipline is usually being grounded to the house away from friends, the computer, the phone, and TV. Sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn’t. Missy is starting to see they are serious when they take things away that are important to her. When Missy got suspended recently she did not get to go trick-or-treating with her friends which was really hard for her to handle. Renee thinks taking these important things away from her is starting to have an effect on Missy. When Missy gets in trouble she also has to do chores at home.

Renee said that Missy’s behavior at home is not too bad. She has a few days that she can be mouthy and not listen. She also has problems working on her homework at home and getting it done. She is always making excuses for not doing it. Renee said that Missy has had no trouble with the law and that she does not think Missy is doing drugs.

Renee says that Missy seems to get along with her friends pretty well. Every once in a while they will have a little argument. She has five or six friends that she hangs out with on a regular basis. Missy is very social. She goes to church with her friends every Wednesday night. Renee has heard Missy talk about friends doing bad things and will hear Missy sometimes tell them not to if it involves something dangerous such as jumping off of a bridge.

Missy takes care of her cats. She adopted a mother cat who had kittens. She takes care of all of them on her own without being asked. She even spends a lot of the money she earns on her cats because they are so special to her. Missy sets her own alarm and gets up on her own in the morning. She also gets ready and does everything before school on her own. She does tend to have melt downs when she can’t find certain items to wear and blames it on everyone else when she really knows it is her own fault. Missy helps take out the trash. She will start to help clean the house every once in a while and vacuum without being asked. Missy also cleans her room.

**Strengths/Interests:**

When asked about Missy’s strengths Renee said that Missy really likes to help people. She likes to do events that help the public. Once she got an idea to bring stuffed animals to kids in the cancer ward and when she found out that it wasn’t allowed she was really sad. She ended up donating them to the Legion to pass out to little kids. Missy is also very good at drawing. She is very creative, outgoing, active, artistic, and assertive. Renee said that Missy’s hobbies are art, animals, and baby-sitting. When Missy is old enough she wants to work or volunteer at the Humane Society.

**Summary:**

Missy is a thirteen year old student who has been faced with several challenges in his life especially when it has come to finding a positive male role model in her life. She seeks affirmation in all areas of her life but can sometimes seek it in a negative manner. Some of her challenges include hyperactivity and trouble finding motivation. She has a very outgoing and fun personality. Missy seems to have difficulty finding a driving force to keep her motivated with school. Her mom wants her to succeed and knows she can but believes it would be helpful for Missy to have some direct one-on-one assistance to keep her focused.