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Maryland/Delaware/D.C. Moose Association

Dear Members:

My name is Nezra McCarty. I am in the 7th grade this year. I moved to the Mooseheart campus on June 13, 2007. I lived with my grandparents in Florida because my parents were not able to care for me. When my grandpa passed away, it was very difficult for my grandma and she wanted me to live in a safe place and get a good education.

I am very thankful to be able to attend Mooseheart Middle School. The teachers here really give you the attention you need to be successful in the classroom. I have been on the Master Achievers List almost every week. Because of the scholarship you can earn at Mooseheart, I will be able to go to college after I graduate. At my old school, I was being picked on and got into several fights. At one point, I had to live in the back of my mom and dad's truck. At Mooseheart, I live in a very big, beautiful home. I have made many new friends, and have got to go and do things that my grandma would not be able to afford. I took my first train ride, get to go to the movies, and even went to the Taste of Chicago in the summer.

I am very thankful to Mooseheart for making a difference in my life. All that you put into Mooseheart is worth it; it really does give all of the kids here a chance to live a life that is safe. Your involvement in the Gimme Five program is very important to the success of our homes, school, and entire campus. Help Mooseheart keep helping kids!!

Sincerely,



Nezra McCarty