

## **The Paine Case**

Joyann Paine (DOB: 02/23/96) is a 7th grade black student at your middle school. Her identification number (FSI) is 0600006000. Joyann is presently residing at 201 Trouble Terrace, Righteous, Fl 88888 with her grandmother, Needy Paine, and her grandmother's fiancé Demone Simpleton. Earlier this year Joyann's mother, Dreamy Paine, told Joyann she didn't want her and took her to live with Needy. When this happened, the child abuse designee and 7th grade guidance counselor made a call to the abuse hotline. However, the call was refused as they said the mother made arrangements for Joyann's care.

During lunch, Joyann tells you that she doesn't have anywhere to live since Demone has told her he hates her and she can't come back to his home today. Joyann says that all her clothes are in her locker. Joyann explains that when Demone and Needy told her this last night she called her mother, who said she wasn't coming to get her and could care less. During the phone call, Dreamy told Joyann that she would no longer be able to be on the track team. When Joyann asked why, Dreamy said that she didn't have the right to do anything that would make her happy seeing as that she had been miserable ever since Joyann was born. Dreamy also told Joyann that she should just kill herself to save everybody the hassle of thinking about her.

You speak with the assistant principal and the 7th grade guidance counselor as to the things Joyann told you during lunch. The school has been dealing with the issues surrounding Joyann and her family all year long. Staff members have teamed together to pay for all of Joyann's track shoes and uniforms as well as to provide lunch money, school supplies, and emotional support. Joyann's grades and overall demeanor have improved greatly since joining the track team.

After school, Joyann was sitting in the front office with a blank look on her face. The only thing Joyann said was she knew they didn't want her and she didn't have any family. Joyann said she'd return the track shoes and everything that all her teachers bought her.