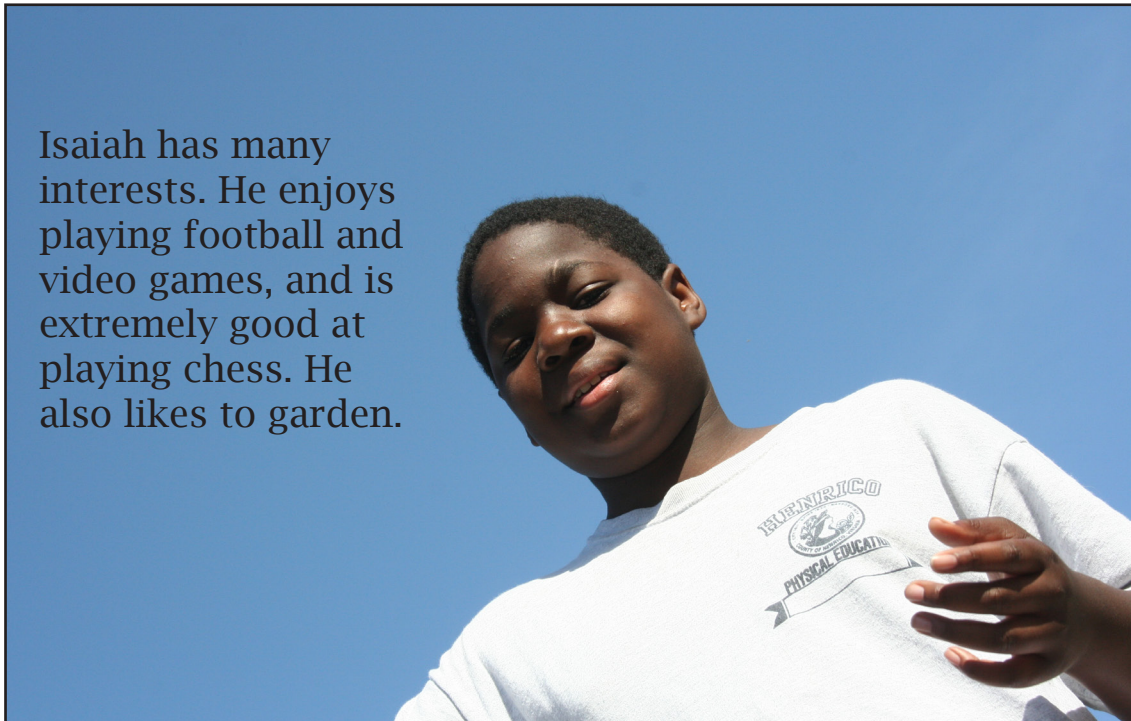


family connection

By SUSAN GRANDPRE

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How many of us, at 13 years of age, knew exactly what we wanted to do when we grew up? A young teenager named Isaiah knows. Isaiah dreams of growing up to become a U.S. Navy Seal. Aspiring to be a Seal is an impressive goal for any person, especially one who does not have a permanent family to guide and support him.

Isaiah also has a shorter-term goal -- to find a family to call his own.

He lives in foster care awaiting adoption and yearns to be part of a family that will love and care for him for his entire life and help him reach his goals.

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Described as “a man of few words,” Isaiah is an excellent student. He loves math, which is his favorite subject in school. He also likes to learn about history and to visit historical sites.

At his foster home, Isaiah has been working in the vegetable garden and this spring has embarked on growing watermelons. He says, “Gardening is really helping me a lot because it’s helping me to become

more patient.”

Isaiah hopes to be adopted by a family that loves to travel and that leads an active lifestyle. He would also be happy if the family had younger children where he could be a big brother to them.

Krista McCulloch, a social worker with Children’s Home Society of Virginia believes Isaiah “would be good at that” because “he is very gentle and nurturing.”

“Isaiah is a good kid. He really has a very sweet disposition,” she adds.

Isaiah would do well with a family that will equip him with the necessary life skills he needs to achieve his goals. He deserves a family to teach and support him in all aspects of his life.

All children deserve a family to provide them with love and security and to act as a foundation so they can reach their dreams.

If you are interested in more information regarding Isaiah or would like to inquire about adopting older children, please contact Laura Ash-Brackley with Children’s Home Society’s Partnership for Adoptions Program at (804) 353 -0191 or (800) 247-2888.