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**RE: Pick up**

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To: mmarshall@ascacademy.org, Christina Magana <cmagana@ascacademy.org>

Tue, Apr 18, 2023 at 10:28 PM

Hi Mrs. Magana,

Since [redacted] made you aware of the allegations relating to the molestation being done by James Neal, and after you spoke with Wendy, no support was ever given to help her heal. The first time [redacted] met with you and shared the divorce, I did not once receive an update on how she was mentally helped. [redacted] didn't share much about what was going on during her time with you. However, she often mentioned that you stopped asking her how she felt since the allegations. She said that you had her play games with you, not have to talk.

I would like to know if there was a reason why her services changed. Wendy reported to the court five times that since the first day, she spoke with you, not once that you have any concerns to report. In fact, according to Wendy, on February 3rd, the kids seemed to be doing very well.

From what I have, there are some discrepancies with the dates you reported having seen [redacted]. Given what my kids were going through and how Wendy described your conversation with her to the court, I wanted to ensure my kids were protected since there was a disconnect between what my kids were going through and what was being reported.

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As I mentioned, this comes from a place of concern and the need to understand why my kids have been put through this.

Mario

Hi Mario!

I hope you and the kids had a wonderful Easter weekend.

The dates that I sent you are correct. I see [redacted] weekly. If we are out of school, I am out of the building or if I cannot see her for whatever reason I always try to pull another day/time in the week if I am able (depending on my schedule). The last day I saw her was Thursday 4/6, right before we went on Easter break. We did not have school yesterday due to Easter Monday so if I am able I will follow-up with her and check-in sometime this week depending on my schedule. As for social work services for [redacted] that was discussed that it would be as requested by either Mrs. Sommer, Tom or you. If I saw them/see them I would/will certainly let you know.

Have a good day!

Sincerely,

Christina Magaña, MSW, LCSW

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On Sun, Apr 9, 2023 at 11:56 AM Mario Neal <[MNeal@naperville203.org](mailto:MNeal@naperville203.org)> wrote:

Hi Mrs. Magana,

I hope that you are also enjoying your easter. Mind double-checking those dates that you have reported again? I want to ensure we are all on the same page regarding when those supports were given to my children and what has been filed with the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court of DuPage County. Also, I hope you continue to write Josephine the reason for missing her appointments; she has not met with you lately, so I want to ensure Josephine doesn't come to me with questions regarding your services.

You mentioned that many people are following up with her. Is this why my kids were not given the needed emotional support from you? If that is the case, I am unaware of that happening, but if you have information that professionals are providing that venue and support, please let me know. I have pushed my kids to get all the help they can get, so if that has been happening, I would love to hear about it.

For example, Lily and Gus have not seen a mental professional once since the divorce was filed. I have reached out to Mrs. Sommer in the past with concerns. At one point, we tried an emotional behavior chart for Agustin to help him respond appropriately to difficult emotions. However, I am unsure what support you provided Lily and Gus since they have not shared anything with me.

Unfortunately, I have only been aware of a few meetings outside school that my kids have had since October of last year. Those meetings were not intended to provide care but rather to investigate. So if there is a collaboration between DCFS, Wendy, and you to ensure continued proper emotional care, especially given the nature of the trauma my kids had to process, please explain what the plan looks like.

As a full-time certified teacher in Naperville Community Unit School District 203, I work closely with school professionals and understand the services provided in a school setting. In addition, our school has two full-time social workers, and I am constantly in contact with them to work together so that our students receive the proper support that

meets their needs. Because of my understanding, I know what that care looks like. I want that and nothing more for all of my three kids.

I want to desperately feel comfortable that [redacted] Josephine, Agustin, and [redacted] feel safe, cared for, and respected at All Saints Catholic Academy. I will continue to be my kid's strongest advocate. Please understand that my concerns come from a place in my heart that wants to protect and keep my kids safe from what is happening to them as best as possible.

Gracias,

Mario

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**From:** Christina Magana <cmagana@ascacademy.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 24, 2023 9:11 AM  
**To:** Margie Marshall <mmarshall@ascacademy.org>  
**Cc:** Mario Neal <MNeal@Naperville203.org>; Thomas Neal <thomastn@umich.edu>  
**Subject:** Re: Pick up

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Good morning and Happy Friday!

Thank you for including me Mrs. Marshall. I have not stopped seeing [redacted] Josie and continue to see her weekly. If there is a day I cannot see Josie I always communicate that to Mrs. Simon and ask her to let Josie know as well because I never want a student to think I forgot them or wonder why they aren't being seen (especially the younger ones). To my knowledge she always does and when I see [redacted] the next time I always let her know, like any of my students, why I missed their previous time. I do my best if something comes up or I get pulled for something or if I'm out, etc. to make up for the students' missed time later in the week, if I am able. Sometimes I am not able to because my caseload is quite full and my schedule is packed, but I do my best. So to answer the question about social work services, yes, [redacted] Josie is still being seen weekly.

I am happy to provide the dates I have seen Josie below:

Initial meeting 11/7/22

11/11/22 - met with [redacted] Josie

11/14/22 - services were put on hold, waiting on paperwork, and an email was sent to both parents to let them know about services

12/19/22 - saw [redacted] Josie again

**Christmas Break**

1/9/23 - Met with Josie

1/11/23 - Met with Josie

1/16/23 - No School

1/23/23 - Met with Josie

1/30/23 - I was out of the building

2/6/23 - Met with Josie

2/13/23 - I had a situation come up

2/20/23 - No School

2/27/23 - Met with Josie

3/6/23 - Met with Josie

3/13/23 - Met with Josie

3/16/23 - Met with Josie

3/20/23 & 3/21/23 - Josie was absent so I will pull today to check-in with her since spring break is next week and I always try to see all my kiddos before a break

After I saw her today I was going to email with an update, which I typically do before we head into a break. Josie and I meet each week. I know she has a lot of people outside of school (GAL, therapist, DCFS, etc.) who follow-up with her. So in school, I meet her where she is at and let her talk about whatever she wants and try to keep things as normal as possible. There has not been much of an update. Sometimes she's quiet and wants to color/draw together, sometimes she wants to play a game or do water beads and we talk about school, what she did on the weekend, she shared recently about skiing and birthday parties that she was going to.

Have a good day and I hope you all enjoy spring break with the kids.

Sincerely,

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On Thu, Mar 23, 2023 at 4:43 PM Margie Marshall <[mmarshall@ascacademy.org](mailto:mmarshall@ascacademy.org)> wrote:

Good afternoon,

I am including Mrs. Magana in this email so she can confirm the dates on which she's seen Josie recently. The plan is still for her to see [REDACTED] weekly, but we cannot guarantee that it will always be on a Monday. As is always the case in a school environment, schedules change unexpectedly as we prioritize the most urgent needs of our students. We will never neglect a student in need of support but hope you understand the need for schedule changes at times.

To clarify, last Wednesday was Tom's day to pick up the children from school, per the court order. I was out of the building at dismissal time and when I became aware that our staff had released the children to Mario on Tom's day, I did instruct my staff to call the police to report that 1. we had made an error in allowing the children to be released to Mario and 2. to our knowledge the court order had not changed to allow Mario to pick up that day. We did not make a call to the GAL. I fully support minimizing any trauma the children experience and appreciate all parties adhering to the court order moving forward to avoid any similar situations.

Thank you,

Margie Marshall

On Thu, Mar 23, 2023 at 2:49 PM Mario Neal <[MNeal@naperville203.org](mailto:MNeal@naperville203.org)> wrote:

Mrs. Marshall,

Regarding Mrs. Magana, a few weeks ago, [REDACTED] Josephine asked me several times why she was no longer seeing her. She even asked Mrs. Simon why the sudden change. No clear answers were given to her.

I want [REDACTED] Josephine to be aware of the expectations if they change. For example, she was told she would see Mrs. Magana every Monday; suddenly, those meetings stopped for weeks without letting her know.

Last week, the school called the police and Wendy on me for taking the kids to DCFS, as requested by the agent. Despite the staff being aware of where I was, the police showed up to the DCFS office to speak with me while I was with the kids waiting for them to be picked up. I request that we all do what we can to ensure the kids don't have to endure any more trauma. Mrs. Marhall, as a parent, I am sure you understand how a kid would feel if the police showed up looking for their parent.

Mario

**From:** Margie Marshall <[mmarshall@ascacademy.org](mailto:mmarshall@ascacademy.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 23, 2023 1:23 PM  
**To:** Mario Neal <[MNeal@Naperville203.org](mailto:MNeal@Naperville203.org)>; Thomas Neal <[thomastn@umich.edu](mailto:thomastn@umich.edu)>  
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Hi Mario,

If there has been a change in the court order, please provide updated documentation to the school. We must follow the court order. We do follow the pickup procedure that you pick up on your days and Tom picks up on his days. You are able to authorize someone else to pick up on your behalf on your days via phone or email, and Tom is able to authorize someone else to pick up on his behalf on his days via phone or email. As a reminder, please send those emails to [attendance@ascacademy.org](mailto:attendance@ascacademy.org), not just to me.

The teachers are aware that all communications need to go to both of you.

Mrs. Magana is scheduled to see Josie weekly. It is not always on the same day, as our schedules are inconsistent and sometimes urgent situations with other students take priority. She will provide updates as appropriate, at least monthly.

Thank you,

Margie Marshall

On Thu, Mar 23, 2023 at 11:33 AM Mario Neal <[MNeal@naperville203.org](mailto:MNeal@naperville203.org)> wrote:

Mrs. Marshall,

Going forward only Tom or myself can pick up the kids from school. If there is ever a situation where either of us is unable to pick up the kids, an email should be sent to you to let you know who will pick them up. Just like I have been doing all along.

Any communication or concerns regarding the kids should be committed to me and not just to Tom.

Mrs. Magana had indicated that she would see Josephine every Monday. In addition, there was to be a weekly update. Those have stopped, I would like to get those updates.

Mario Neal

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