Hi, Mom.

How was your day, Johnny?

Not bad.

Hah, hah! Stu ate a burnt peanut in science. His teeth were black all day.

Stu did what?

Oh, never mind.

Bob called today.

He was wondering if you might be interested in working with a young man of a new family of his.

What does he mean?

Teaching him a little about wraparound and your perspective of it.

And if you wouldn't mind, he may ask the family if they wouldn't mind you sitting on the their team as a voice for the young man.

Yeah, sure. I can do that.

Ring!!!

Hello?

Hey, Dawg!
DO YOU GUYS HAVE AN OLD BLENDER I CAN BORROW?

I NEED TO USE IT AS A MOTOR FOR A MINIATURE BOAT I'M MAKING.

DO WE HAVE AN OLD BLENDER?

STU NEEDS TO USE ONE AS A MOTOR ON A TOY BOAT HE'S BUILDING.

NO WAY! HE'LL GET ELECTROCUTED.

MY MOM SAYS YOU'LL GET ELECTROCUTED.

NO WORRIES, DAWG! BEEN ELECTROCUTED THREE TIMES ALREADY!

JOHNNY, THIS IS BRIAN.

NICE TO MEET YA, BRIAN.

AND BRIAN, THIS IS JOHNNY.

HI.

I THINK IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA FOR YOU TWO TO GO FOR A LITTLE WALK AND TALK ABOUT THINGS.

SOUNDS GOOD.

YEAH.
Wraparound is different.

It doesn’t just focus on you and whatever difficulties you may be having. It focuses on your entire family’s needs, strengths, and culture.

I’m an individual.

You sure are. And Wraparound also looks at your family as an individual.

Sure, everything’s still far from perfect, but we have a plan and a better grip on our situations.

Your family will also build a team. The team may consist of people from other agencies, school staff, family and friends. Whoever’s there to support your family.

Whatever makes your family unique and individual.

Are you going to be on my team?

If you want me to be.

I think so.

It has helped my family out a lot.
SO, DOES THIS SOUND GOOD SO FAR?

WANNA GIVE IT A TTY?

I'LL GIVE IT A SHOT!

GRANDMA SAID GRANDPA JIM WAS A BAKER BY TRADE. HE ALSO LIKED TO PAINT.

YUP. AND HIS DAD WAS AN ARCHITECT. HIS MOM LIKED TO KNIT.

NO WONDER WE'RE SO ARTSY. IT RUNS PRETTY DEEP IN OUR VEINS.

NO KIDDING!

FUNNY HOW SOMETHING THAT SEEMS LIKE SIMPLE INTEREST CAN BE SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN HANDED DOWN FOR GENERATIONS.

WHAT ARE YOU TWO UP TO?

WE'RE GOING THROUGH THE GENEALOGY OF OUR FAMILY TREE.

JOHNNY IS DRAWING CARICATURES FROM OLD PHOTOS, AND I'M WRITING DOWN THEIR TRAITS INSIDE JOHNNY'S DRAWINGS.

SOUNDS LIKE FUN! CAN I HELP?

SURE! AND GET POP'S BUTT IN HERE, TOO.

WE'RE TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHO WE ARE AND HOW OUR FAMILY CULTURE HAS EVOLVED INTO WHAT IT IS.
Okay, boys! We're down by one, with 15 seconds left. That's plenty of time.

Go, Dawg! Rawr!!

Get 'em boys! Aieee! Aieee!

Break!

Huh! Let's win this thing!

Way to facilitate, Coach B.!!

Way to play as a team, boys!

Woo! Yeah!

Wee! Aieee! Aieee!

Go, Johnny!
HI, I'M DAVE, THE WRAPAROUND MANN!

ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF YOUR WRAPAROUND FACILITATOR AGAIN, STU?

THAT'S RIGHT, DAWG! HE'S THE ONLY PERSON I CAN PICK ON WHOM WON'T BEAT ME UP.

HAH, HAH! YEAH, EVEN YOUR LITTLE SISTER BEATS YOU UP.

MAH NAME IS DAVE, THE WRAPAROUND MANN. TODAY WE GONNA TALK ABOUT CULTURE.

NOPE, AH DON'T MEAN BUTTERMILK, AH MEAN FAMILY CULTURE.

BUTTERMILK?

YEAH, DAWGS! BUTTERMILK, 100% CULTURED!!

AH, HAH, HAH!!! DORK!

UNLESS OF COURSE, BUTTERMILK IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF YER FAMILY CULTURE. THAT'S JUST FINE, TOO.