



Wednesday's Child
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By most accounts, Brian (1998) is your normal everyday teen – he loves video games and is into trendy clothes, the latest dance moves and skateboarding. Brian lives an active teenage life, but there are a few differences that set him apart from your average kid next door. Not only is Brian in foster care and has to deal with the issues that the system brings into his life, but he also has to deal with being diabetic.

Despite this medical diagnosis, Brian is stable and has learned to check and monitor his blood sugar. He tells us that there are things he can't eat or eat a lot of and that he's pretty good at keeping track of that for himself and he knows he has to stay active. His activity of choice is skate boarding, so we made an appointment for Brian to meet some of the pint-sized superstars of the X-Games.



Brian clicked quickly with new buddies Curren Caples, Louie Lopez and Shane Borland. Brian was ready to lace up and hit the pavement with these X-Games superstars.

Only "problem" was that when a "foster brother" recently moved from their foster home, Brian gave him his skateboard as a gift to remember him by. But have no fear, the X-Games gang had already heard about this and made sure Brian got a new board and safety equipment.

Brian was now ready to do some 180's! First, though, the X-Games team taught Brian a few basics which should be mastered before you can really take off and do more skateboarding tricks safely.



Turns out that applies to what Brian needs for life's ramps too – a family to teach him the basics and help him advance so that he can be ready for moments in life when he wants to “catch air”. Brian does pretty well in self-care when managing his medical condition, but he needs a special family to help keep him on the right ramps as well as help him with nutrition and moderation—remember, in many ways he is still your average young teen.



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