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I haven't always lived in Tennessee I was actually born in Alabama. I've moved quite a bit. I first lived in a small town in Alabama, Andalusia, that was only an hour away from the beach! I used to go to the beach all the time I loved the fresh smell and the sound of the waves crashing. I lived with my nanny, papa, older sister, and my mom. I attended school at Straughn Elementary School. I was very close to all my family because I was used to everyone looking out after me. My mom eventually met my step-dad but I've always looked up to him as my dad since I don't know who my real dad is and is the only" dad" i've ever had. My parents got married and were very happy, so we moved in all together to start our family. I was a bit nervous leaving my nanny and papa, but I knew we weren't going far since it was such a small town and I really liked my dad. My parents not long after wanted to move in town instead of in the country. We got a house that my dad had actually owned before. I loved it because me and my sister had our own living room which I thought was cool. Since it was a small town I still went to the same school. I also got my first dog, Lindsey, she is a miniature weenie dog and I still have her to this day. By the end of my 1<sup>st</sup> grade my dad got tired of his job and quiet. He was getting a lot of offers from Nashville so decided to take one. We wanted to live close to Nashville but not in Nashville since it was always so busy, so we decided to move to Murfreesboro. We didn't have time to look for houses so we decided to live in an apartment. It was a 6-hour dive and was very hard to leave my family behind. On the drive I remember seeing big buildings and mountains. I started my second grade at Blackman Elementary. It was strange to hear people talk because I was used to a

southern accent. I remember this kid in my class was obsessed with toilets! He even had a toy toilet that he would set on his desk. He would say "pshhhhh" and pretended that it sprayed people. He thought it was so funny. The grading scale was also very different in Alabama an A is considered between a 90-100, here it is a 92-100. My parents got tired of living in an apartment and wanted a house. We moved into a 6-bedroom house and me and my sister got a game room. I remember having a hockey table and I liked feeling the air whenever you turned it on. It's also where I fractured my foot. Our living room was very tall, so we had a long stairway, but the steps were short and were also wood. I was caring my dog down the stairs and had socks on. I slipped and was scared my dog was going to get hurt as we were rolling down the stairs so I pushed her out of my arms onto the step as I kept going and ended up fracturing my ankle, but my dog was okay .My mom always tried cooking a dessert that my nanny made but to me it just wasn't the same I thought my nanny's was sweeter. I transferred at the beginning of my 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to Browns Chapel Elementary. I met my best friend named Hannah there. We ended up staying there for a while until my mom got pregnant with my little sister Amelia Paisley. My parents decided they wanted to move into a more "homie" house, a place to settle before the baby came. So, we moved once again! I finished school at Browns Chapel and would soon be starting middle school at Christiana Middle School. I was scared and nervous to go to middle school. Everyone told me people were mean and it was hard, but I ended up liking it. I got into sports and did competition cheer outside of school. My 7th grade year I decided I wanted to cheer for the school. My 8th grade year I wanted to change it up and do something I was always very interested in, softball. So, I tried out and made the team. I was #8 on the Varsity team. I now attend Riverdale high school as a junior, so we haven't moved in 5-6 years and hope that it doesn't change unless I'm the one moving out. I like living here and still get to see my family every once in a while, like

summer or winter break but I also miss living down there. I miss my friends and hanging out with my cousin riding the four-wheeler on the dirt roads or going fishing with her. But now I've made friends here and wouldn't want to leave them either.