



Parent of disabled child sues N. Allegheny district over transportation dispute

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The parent of a 7-year-old boy with severe disabilities claims in federal lawsuit filed Tuesday that North Allegheny School District is violating federal law by refusing to transport him between a private day care center and school that are outside the district's boundaries.

The boy, identified only as S.K., has Cornelia de Lange Syndrome and is blind, deaf and incapable of feeding himself or using the bathroom himself, the lawsuit says. The lawsuit says the family lives within the district, which covers Bradford Woods, Franklin Park, Marshall and McCandless, but doesn't specify which community.

The district transports other students in the morning from day care centers inside the district to school and takes them back to day care centers at the end of the school day, the lawsuit says. Though the district will transport the boy between his home and the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children in Oakland, it won't transport him to and from the Childs Way day care center in Bloomfield, the lawsuit says.

No day care center within the district is equipped to handle her son's needs, the lawsuit says. The district's solicitor couldn't be reached for comment.

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