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### **What Mia is thankful for...**

Do you believe the season of thanks is important? I do because I get to show the people I love that I am thankful for them. Do you know what being thankful is? It means to be generous and to show gratitude. I am thankful for my family, friends, coaches, shelter, sports, and teachers.

I love my family. My sister makes me laugh and we have a lot of fun together even though she is mean to me sometimes. That does not mean that I am not thankful for her, but sometimes it is hard to feel thankful. My cousins also make me laugh and when we have sleepovers, it is a great time. My dad and mom are there for me because they help me when I need it. They pay for things I need like putting a roof over my head. They spent their time taking me and my sister to sports, church, school, and other events. My parents always love me even when I am disrespectful or act out.

I am thankful for my friends because they make me laugh when I am sad, they care about me, and they make sure I am okay when I seem upset. They encourage me to be strong and try new challenges.

I like my coaches because they are the ones that get me on the field and the court. They are nice, but strict which shows me how to listen and play my best. They make sure I am okay and check to see if I can go back into the game. Sometimes they are funny.

I am thankful for being able to play sports because I love when I get on the field or the court. Playing soccer and basketball is good exercise. Sports have helped me make friends because we must rely on each other and help each other. My teams help me to challenge myself and do things out of my comfort zone.

I love my teachers because they are very nice. Ms. Bochichio is also funny, generous, and loving.

It's important to show gratitude and to be thankful for the many things we have. I will conclude with this quote from Winnie the Pooh, "Sometimes," said Pooh, "thank you is a very small word for a very big feeling." Everyone deserves to experience kindness and thankfulness. I learned that being thankful is a good habit and we should be thankful every day. Being thankful means to show kindness, have gratitude, and to be generous.