

**(Neb.)-Missing Juvenile Believed To Be In Western Nebraska**

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(Hot Springs)-A Hot Springs boy, who will turn 16 Thursday, has been reported missing since September 19th, 2013. The Hot Springs Police Department and area investigators have reason to believe the boy is in the panhandle of Western Nebraska due to a letter that was sent from the boy to his mother that was postmarked in this area. Joseph Daniel Myers (AKA JD) was reported as a runaway since September. He was last seen at his mother's house in Hot Springs at 2:30 a.m. on September 19th. He does not have a driver's license or access to a vehicle.

Myers has been living with his father in Akron, Iowa until his father recently took a job in Maryland. Myers returned to South Dakota with his father on September 18th for a custody hearing at the Pennington County Courthouse in Rapid City. The judge ordered that primary custody would remain with the father and that Myers would need to return to Maryland. There was a verbal argument after the hearing between Myers and his father. Myers threatened that he would run from Maryland if he had to return. Before Myers and his father were to depart for Maryland, he was allowed to stay one night at his mother's house in Hot Springs.

The parents and grandparents of Myers informed law enforcement that they have not had contact with him. If you have seen, or have any information about this missing juvenile, you are urged to call the Hot Springs Police Department at 605-890-9991 or 605-890-9992.