

# I wish to go to Disney World.



Madeline "Madi", age 7  
Leukemia (ALL)

Wish child, Madeline, known as Madi to most, is a fun-loving 7 year old. Her wish is to take a trip to Disney World. When asked what she's most excited about she said, "hmmm.....Just everything!"



Madi has ALL. ALL (Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia) is the most common type of cancer in children where the bone marrow makes too many immature lymphocytes. These immature white blood cells crowd out the healthy blood cells and platelets rendering the child unable to fight off infections.

Even while sick, Madi has been able to remain being the happy and energetic child she was before the diagnosis. She is constantly spending time outside playing with siblings and friends in the neighborhood. Some of her favorite activities are riding her bike, swimming, swinging, and gardening with her parents and just general out door playing.

Madi was diagnosed with ALL September 4, 2012 just 3 weeks after starting kindergarten. She was immediately admitted to the hospital to receive blood transfusions and platelets so she could begin chemotherapy. Her treatment consists of 26 months of various types of chemotherapy and different medications. She is currently in her 21st month of treatment and will finish in November 2014.

"When we heard the diagnosis, we pretty much went on autopilot and just did what was necessary to get Madi healthy. It's been more emotional looking back over what she has had to deal with," said her parents.

Currently, Madi is doing well. She has energy and is going to school most of the time now. There are many days when she gets tired easily and days she needs to stay home and rest or she falls asleep early. There are days when she is very sore, mainly in her legs but the pain medications help. Overall, she has responded well to the treatment program she is on and her parents are hopeful for a full recovery.

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