

## **BOROUGH OF PERKASIE**

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Re: Preschool Licensing Hardship

To whom it may concern,

Our Borough of Perkasie is a great community of approximately 8500 residents. A few years ago the Parks and Recreation Department was gearing up for a preschool program in the parks that was a few hours a day, a few days a week during the summer. When discussed at various meetings the new regulations that were coming down on park and recreation departments we had no choice but to cancel our program. This was a hardship on our small community as residents were already registered, we had daily plans made up, equipment ready, and staff who had to be told they would no longer have a job. As you can imagine, this left a negative experience with residents and neighbors.

Since we are a small community our residents have to go elsewhere to look for preschool aged programs that we could and would easily offer within our recreation offerings. We do not have the capability to obtain licensure or to upgrade our facilities to comply as a "child care center" so this make it's difficult to provide needed recreation for certain age groups in our community.

Thank you for your time.

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