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Dear commission members:

The Pre-k counts program is a great program that has really benefited my daughter. Before entering the program she could not write letters or her name, She now writes her name and can copy all the letters in the alphabet and recognize most of the letters out of order. She wakes up everyday excited to go to school and loves to learn all the new things she is learning. A couple weeks ago for show and tell she had to bring in a snow animal, I told her to just bring in her Koala bear she said "mommy, I can't bring in my Koala bear don't you know Koala bears live in China?! Two years ago my daughter had to have to tubes put in her ears because she had fluid in her ears and it was effecting her hearing which was effecting her speech and she had slight speech problems. When my daughter followed up with the hearing and speech doctor a few months ago they said that she had excellent speech for her age. So for her to go from having a slight speech problem to exceeding the norm for her age I think has a lot to do with the help of the pre-k counts program.

She has also grew socially from being in this program. Before entering the program she was shy and did not make many new friends because she would hide behind me when meeting new kids. She is now very outgoing and has too many "best friends" to count.

I am very grateful to have such a great program for my daughter to be able to attend because if it was not for the program I would not have been able to afford to send my daughter to a preschool program and she would miss out on the great learning experience she has had in this program and would not be as prepared when she starts Kindergarten this September.

Thank You Casey Garrity

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