

Tot Rec & After School Program Update

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The 2015/16 school year officially ended for all Tot Recreation Programs and After School Programs on June 22. At this time, I would like to thank all of the facility supervisors, fee teachers, RSI's & GSI's, Program Coordinators and their staff, and FarmPhilly staff for a great job that everyone did this year.

Update for After School: The beginning of the year was a little trying to get started due to not having a government budget. Through the hard work of Program Director Maureen Maier, we were able to start all 87 programs on time. I estimated that Parks & Recreation served over 5,000 children in our After School Program. Through the year, our Aquatics, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Outdoor Experience and FarmPhilly (Garden Wagon) Program Coordinators visited sites for a six-week program, offering their talents to our children. This year, we had almost 95% compliance for all paperwork that was due during the year. This is up tremendously from the past year. Thank you to the facility supervisors, RSI's & GSI's for making this happen.

Tot Recreation Update: Philadelphia Parks & Recreation has been offering Tot Recreation Programs for at least 30 years. As of 2016, we have 33 sites that offer this program, serving over 2,000 children between the ages of 3 to 5 years old. The fee teachers that work these programs are very caring and dedicated to all of their children. Thank you to the facility supervisors that make this program work and to the fee teachers who welcome their children with open arms.

Have a great summer!