

## North East Westchester Special Recreation, Inc.

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Dear North East Participants and Families:

Thank you for your interest in North East Westchester Special Recreation, Inc. We are pleased to be able to serve your family.

As you may know, our agency receives funding from New York State's Office for People with Developmental Disabilities. This funding is extremely important to us and makes up almost half of our annual budget. In order for us to bill OPWDD, individuals attending our programs must be declare eligible by OPWDD.

This state agency has established a process determining eligibility, known as The Front Door. Making this contact and receiving eligibility will open the possibilities to a person-centered approach for services and opportunities for your child.

Please feel free to read more about the process at www.opwdd.ny.gov/welcome-front-door/home.

I encourage you to contact the OPWDD office located at 220 White Plains Rd, Suite 675 in Tarrytown, NY. You can reach them at (914)332-8960 or email their Westchester Community Supports Team Leader Michelle Neustadt-Kardon at michelle.neustadt@opwdd.ny.gov.

Enrolling your child will enable North East to receive crucial funding. Don't hesitate to contact me for further discussion or to answer any questions you may have at (914)347-4409.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Essie Arnemann

Ellie Arnemann, Executive Director