



## SEASIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Honor, Pride, and Commitment*

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## MEDIA RELEASE

### Tiny Tot Preschool Program

April 12, 2018

Attached please find a letter that was distributed to parents of Tiny Tots University pre-school this morning.

Tiny Tots University is a pre-school program of the City of Seaside Recreation Department. It is housed at the Oldemeyer Center and currently enrolls forty children, aged three to five.

All employees who interact with children in the Tiny Tots University program clear background checks required by California statute.

The City cannot release information related to the investigation. Any and all questions regarding the investigation should be directed to the Monterey County District Attorney's Office at 831-899-5070.

The City's first priority for the Tiny Tots University program is the safety and security of all children who participate in the program.

For Immediate Release

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*The mission of the Seaside Police Department is to provide quality police services, in partnership with our community, to enhance and maintain a safe environment.*



## **Recreation Services**

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April 12, 2018

Dear Tiny Tot University Parent:

The City of Seaside received a complaint that alleged a Tiny Tot University employee inappropriately touched a program participant. In accordance with City procedures, the employee was immediately removed from the workplace as the Seaside Police Department began an investigation. In coordination with the Monterey County District Attorney's Office, the Seaside Police Department has conducted an investigation into this complaint and has forwarded the information gathered through the investigation to the District Attorney's Office.

I wanted to make you aware of this allegation and assure you that the City's first priority is for the safety and security of all children and adults that participate in the City's recreational programs.

If you have specific questions regarding the police investigation, please call Police Chief Pridgen at (831) 899-6758. If you have other questions, please feel free to call me at (831) 899-6801.

Sincerely,

Nancy Towne  
Recreation Director