Student Activity Request for Reconsideration: SAMPLE REQUEST

1. **Staff Member Point of Contact:** Joe Smith
2. **Department or Organization:** 3rd Grade Teacher
3. **Name of Activity Requested:** Petting Zoo
4. **Purpose of the Activity:** *Briefly describe the educational or program-related purpose.*

   To provide students with a hands-on learning experience connected to our unit on animals – this includes habitats, needs and responsible care of animals.

5. **Activity Details**: *Describe what students will actually be doing.*

   We are working with the company – We Got a Goat – mobile petting zoo. They will bring a small number of farm animals to the field area behind the school. Students will participate in small groups. The provider will introduce the animals, provide information about their care. Students who want to may be permitted to gently touch designated animals under direct adult supervision. They will not feed, hold, pick up, or enter an enclosure with an animal unless the provider/adult is with them.

6. **Activity Details - Equipment/Materials:** *Will there be equipment or materials used during the activity? If yes, please list.*
   Portable animal enclosures/barriers provided and set up by the vendor; handwashing supplies; hand sanitizer; instructional materials provided by the vendor.

7. **Activity Details - Duration:** *Estimated duration time of Activity*
   Approximately 60 minutes total, with students rotating through the activity in small groups.

8. **Date of Activity:** May 15, 2027
9. **Location of Activity:** Cherrydale Primary School – outdoor field area in the back.
10. **Estimated Number of Participants (students) –** All of 3rd grade, but will rotate in small groups.

11. **Supervision:** *Who will supervise the activity? Do they need or will they have specialized training or certification?*
    Students will be supervised by classroom teachers, school staff, and trained petting zoo staff. The vendor will be responsible for handling and controlling the animals. Students will not interact with animals without an adult present.

12. **Modifications or Safeguards:** *What modifications, precautions, protective equipment, rules or other safeguards will be used to reduce risk of injury?*
    The vendor will keep the animals contained and supervised at all times. Students will review safe animal interactions and participate in small groups. Staff will plan for any known allergies or health concerns. Students will wash their hands after touching the animals, and no food or drinks will be allowed in the animal area. The vendor will handle all animal waste and cleanup.

13. **Reconsideration:** *Explain why you believe the activity, as proposed, can be conducted safety and provides sufficient educational or program benefit.*
    The above outlined precautions will help ensure that students are safe – we are limiting contact with animals unless there's an adult, and we will make sure kids follow our hygiene protocols. For many students, this may be their first interaction with an animal, and we believe we can provide this activity safely.