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Dear Mrs. Woodruff:

Thank you for your generous response to my request for pamphlets. I received them rather late, because your letter was dated November 16, but the package came intact. I apologize for the delay in answering.

I read all the pamphlets, and I am really overwhelmed by your willingness to share this stuff with us. After considering the needs of our projects, though, I really think that your more detailed and expensive pamphlets would probably be wasted in most of our centers. Only a few of them have such stable programs that they are in any position to offer the kind of programs and acquire the equipment which your program describes. Therefore, I would be very happy to have about 20 of the So You are Starting a Nursery School and Some Ways of Distinguishing a Good Nursery School. For the pamphlets Equipment for Children in Kindergarten and Child Development Guides I think that if you sent me 5 of each, I would send them to the projects where we have the most responsible people working and the most successful day care centers. Thank you for sending the New York State regulations covering nursery schools, but we have the equivalent pamphlet from the Miss. Board of Health already, and it says substantially the same thing.

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Again, thank you for your response ~~for~~ our needs. Our preschool program is much overlooked by most people, because they are mostly interested in political action. As a civil rights group, we seem a little incongruous when we talk about preschool education and day care centers. But we plan to recruit more people who are interested in these more mundane social problems, and to work out a viable series of day care clinics which are dependent upon resources within the community as much as is possible. Thank you again for your help.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Lois Chaffee
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