

Selective preschools

Can someone please tell Anika Jackson — and other parents who complain about competitive private preschool admissions — that the problem is the self-absorbed, yuppie parents, not the schools. The types of schools "Rejected by Ivy League kindergarten" (Oct. 9) discusses are simply feeding a demand from those who will happily shell out \$20,000 or more so their little geniuses can get every perceived advantage. When Jackson writes that "preschool shouldn't determine a child's success in life," the irony is inescapable. Preschool, of course, does not determine success in life, yet by participating in such a myth, Jackson — and other parents — actually fuel the problem they are complaining about.

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- 1p 41 What is the main point of this letter?
- A A child's success in life is determined by its parents, not by preschool education.
 - B Anika Jackson is only negative about selection procedures because her own child was rejected.
 - C Applying for admission of your child to a private preschool contributes to the illusion that attending one matters.
 - D Ivy League Kindergarten selects pupils on the basis of parental annual income.
 - E Parents who have attended private preschool themselves tend to overestimate its importance.

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