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DragonLand Water Park Receives Platinum International Aquatic Safety Award

October 26, 2026 – Pekin Park District announced today that DragonLand Water Park has been awarded the prestigious “Platinum International Aquatic Safety Award.” Earning this award demonstrates that the aquatic facilities they operate consistently exceed industry standards in risk management and epitomize aquatic safety excellence. International Aquatic Safety Awards are conferred to deserving aquatic facilities by Ellis & Associates, the world leader in aquatic safety and risk management.

“It is apparent that the entire staff of DragonLand Water Park embodies the idea of exceeding international standards in aquatic safety,” said Richard A. “RAC” Carroll, Ellis & Associates Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. “Patrons who frequent this aquatic facility are afforded the highest degree of swimmer protection currently available for the aquatic industry.”

International Aquatic Safety Awards are presented annually to participants in Ellis & Associates’ (E&A) Comprehensive Aquatic Risk Management Program and are based on the results of multiple random unannounced aquatic facility operational safety audits throughout the year. These audits include undercover video surveillance of individual lifeguards while they protect their Zone of Protection® areas, in order to accurately evaluate their professional diligence. Additionally, individual and team basic life support and rescue skills are evaluated, along with simulated emergencies that measure the effectiveness of established Emergency Action Plans. The audit concludes with administrative, supervisory and facility evaluations. All E&A client facilities are top performers and represent the finest and safest aquatic facilities in the world. As such, it is of particular note when E&A facilities perform so well that they are granted an International Aquatic Safety Award.

International Safety Awards are presented only to E&A's most elite clients. Presented in three levels - Silver, Gold, and Platinum - only the top 10% of E&A clients in the world receive a Platinum International Aquatic Safety Award each year.

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About DragonLand Water Park:

DragonLand has something for everyone, all on three-plus acres of immaculately kept park land with ample room to stretch out and soak up the rays! DragonLand is handicapped accessible and has an award-winning lifeguard staff ready to make your visit a safe one. Enjoy a zero depth, play / entry area, two water slides that twist and turn you, "Dude" the dragon slide with mushroom waterfall and a geyser play area. The water park also has a sand beach play area with water equipment, an extended deck / patio with lounge chairs, a reasonably priced cafeteria style concessions, beach volleyball courts, as well as shower and locker facilities

About Ellis & Associates:

Founded in 1983, Ellis & Associates, Inc. (E&A) is the original, international aquatic safety and risk management consulting firm dedicated to the prevention and elimination of drowning. E&A provides lifeguard instructor training, aquatic risk management services, accident investigation, litigation support, emergency care training, learn-to-swim and continuing education programs for all types of aquatic facilities around the world. Learn more [here](#).