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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Indianola Preschool Inc

Provider No.: 28274

Address: 205 S Howard Ste B, Indianola, IA, 50125

County: Warren

Director's Name: Allison Putney

On-Site Supervisor: Melissa Curl

Phone Number: 5159613798

E-Mail: indianolapreschool@hotmail.com

HHS Visit Date: 10/01/2025

Licensing Period: 12/01/2024 to 12/01/2026

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 12/07/2023

Comments:

Report Visit Type:

- [ ] PTO
- [ ] Licensing Visit
- [ ] Drop In
- [ ] Administrative Change

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [ ] Year-Round
- [X] School Year
- [ ] Summer Only

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HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*
Sunday			
Monday		6:45 AM to 5:15 PM	
Tuesday		6:45 AM to 5:15 PM	
Wednesday		6:45 AM to 5:15 PM	
Thursday		6:45 AM to 5:15 PM	
Friday		6:45 AM to 5:15 PM	
Saturday			

Program Population Served:

- [ ] Infant(0-<24 Months)
- [ ] Toddler
- [X] PreSchool
- [ ] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General			45		45
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

The Indianola Preschool has been in operation since 1955. This center provides programming to children ranging from three to five years of age. The preschool offers a wraparound/child care program also. The preschool is held within a single standing building. There is a secured entrance. Allison Putney is the director. Allison came to the preschool in 2019. Melissa Curl is the on site supervisor.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to HHS licensing rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are posted at the center's entrance.
Each classroom has schedules and current lesson plans posted. Classrooms are well furnished with age appropriate furnishings. Each class has defined, labeled interest centers.

Allison and Melissa assisted the visit today. Three afternoon classes were in session during today's visit. The Grasshopper Class (3's/4's) had fourteen children present. Two teachers were working in this class. The Firefly Class (3's/4's) had eighteen children present. Two teachers were working in this class. The TK class (4's/5's) had nine children present. Allison was the staff working with this class. Children were observed in their rooms and on the playground. Children were involved in child directed learning and play time and small group learning time. Children were doing various art activities today, such as painting and stamping. One group was doing an apple tasting project. Staff were assisting and playing alongside the children. Interactions between staff and children were observed to be positive.

The center serves snacks. Snack menus were reviewed and show CACFP guidelines are followed. Children who attend all day programming bring their own lunches. The center provides milk. The center supplements children's lunches if needed.

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The center's playground has rubber mulch and concrete for surfacing. There is fencing around the playground. Monthly checks are completed by staff.

The center walks to some field trips. Parents transport their own children if transportation is needed for field trips.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

Indianola Preschool has been in operation for many years. Allison has a lot of good experience in early childhood education and child care. The classrooms have well developed interest centers.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

There were no licensing violations cited today.

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

NA

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

The center has a full license.

The center's physical request form has given parents thirty days after date of physical to provide a new physical. This is being amended to assist the center with compliance in keeping current children's physicals on file.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 515-362-7823); email melinda.larson@hhs.state.gov) so that we may discuss the issue. If necessary, I can make a notation in your record. You may also send a letter that will be included in your licensing file noting any disagreement you may have with this report. If you have the need for any additional information discussed during my visit, please contact me and I will forward the information to you. Thank you.

*Note: If you are a member of the general public, there may be additional information contained in the public file. You may contact the DHS Licensing Consultant to inquire.

Date: 10/05/2025

HHS Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant

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Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Care License. Please take steps necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above.

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at **https://iowaccrr.org**.