

**Iowa Department of Human Services
CHILD CARE CENTER EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE**

Name of Center: Mustang Scholars Preschool **Enrollment:** 15 **License ID No. (Reapplications):** 47791

Street: 300 E 5th St **City:** Prairie City **Iowa Zip:** 50228 **County:** Jasper

Mailing Address: PO Box 178, Prairie City, IA, 50228

Director's Name: Diane Ellens **Phone Number:** 515-994-2250

On-Site Supervisor(s): NA **E-Mail:** frcprairiecity@aol.com

Date(s) of Visit: 12-13-2017

Licensing Visit **Unannounced Visit** **Off Year Visit** **Administrative Change**

LICENSING VISITS

New Application **Re-Application** **NA**

Signed Application (470-0722) Received **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:**

FIRE INSPECTION **State** **Local** **NA** **Is Fire Inspection Approved?** **Yes** **No** **NA**

Date Inspected: 06-30-2016

Comments :

LICENSE TYPE: **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

Financial Type: **Profit** **Non-Profit** **NA**

Accreditation: **Accredited** **NAEYC** **NSACA** **Other** **NA**

Program Serves: **Infants (0-23 mo.)** **2 Years** **X** **Preschool-Age** **School-Age**

Get-Well **Evening Care** **Special Needs**

SCHEDULE: **Year-round** **School-Year** **Summer Only**

HOURS:	<u>Year-round</u>	<u>School-Year</u>	<u>Summer Only</u>
LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool
General			16
Summer			0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 09-16-2016 to 11-01-2018
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCAION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant

Date: 12-29-2017

I. IF CURRENT LICENSE IS PROVISIONAL, IDENTIFY THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Mustang Scholars Preschool opened in September 2016. The preschool is held in the First Reformed Church. Programming is held in one classroom. The preschool also has access to other rooms nearby this classroom, where snack is served. The preschool serves children ages three and four years of age. Diane Ellens is the director/lead teacher. Diane has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education. Diane has experience working in a daycare center, preschool and elementary school.

Diane and Kay assisted with the visit today.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The preschool has a lot of support from the church, where the preschool programming is held. The preschool has started working with QRS and earned a two star rating. They are in the process of reapplying for a three star rating. The preschool receives JMP Early Childhood Iowa and has received scholarships funds for children in need.

IV. IDENTIFY THE ASPECTS OF OPERATION THAT FALL BELOW THE STANDARDS REVIEWED:

109.6(5)a: All volunteers and substitutes shall be at least 16 years of age and shall: Have signed statements indicating no conviction of any law in any state or record of founded child or dependent adult abuse.Signed statements indicating no communicable disease or other health concerns that poses a threat to children.
A parent volunteer didn't have this required form on file.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 515-725-2635; email mlarson@dhs.state.ia.us) 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.

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