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

**Name of Center:** Immanuel Lutheran Preschool **Enrollment:** 31 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 6320

**Street:** 501 Glad St **City:** Schleswig Iowa **Zip** 51461 **County:** Crawford

**Mailing Address:** PO Box 27, Schleswig, IA, 51461

**Director's Name:** Leslie Gustafson **Phone Number:** 712-676-2235

**On-Site Supervisor(s):** **E-Mail:** immanuelschleswig@gmail.com

**Date(s) of Visit:** 05-11-2023

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

**LICENSING VISITS**

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

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

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

**Date Inspected:** 05-13-2021

**Comments :**

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

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

**Accredition:** Accredited NAEYC NSACA Other X NA

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

Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

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

| **HOURS:** | *Year-round* | *School-Year* | *Summer Only* |
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| LICENSE CAPACITY | Infants | 2 Years | Preschool | School-Age | Capacity |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| General | | | | 20 | 20 |
| Summer | | | | | 0 |

**QRS Rating:** 1

| RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE: | |
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| X | **FULL** license from 02-01-2022 to 02-01-2024 |
| | **PROVISIONAL** license from |
| | **DENIAL** of initial application |
| | **SUSPENSION** of license |
| | **REVOCATION** of license |

**Licensing Consultant:** Kathy DeGeorge-Evans **Date:** 05-16-2023

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

**II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:**

An unannounced off year licensing visit was made to Immanuel Lutheran Preschool in Schleswig, Iowa on 5-11-2023. The program is located in Immanuel Lutheran Church. The preschool program operates under a preschool board. The center offers preschool services to children three to five years old on Monday through Thursday. The center began providing the voluntary preschool program in August 2016. (Full day programming is offered to four year olds). Thirty children are enrolled in the program.
Leslie Gustafson is the director. Leslie began working at the preschool in the fall of 2016. Leslie has her Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education with Early Childhood and Pre-Kindergarten endorsements. She also received her Early Childhood Special Education endorsement. She previously taught preschool in Denison, Iowa for six years. The administrative assistant is Lisa Schroeder, she helps with paperwork. I met with Leslie during my licensing visit.

Observation of room:
The program room looks great and has a fun variety of age and developmentally appropriate toys and equipment. The children were having fun making a safety necklace/whistle. The staff had excellent interactions with the children, they are involved in programming and attentive to the needs of the children.
Leslie is so enthusiastic and creative. Fun, hands on learning experiences are offered to the children.
Creative Curriculum and Teaching Strategies Gold are used.
The center provides a nutritious snack.

Health and safety:
Monthly fire and tornado drills are practiced and documented.
A fuel burning inspection is needed, please send me an email with the date of your current fuel burning inspection.
Please send me the date and test score of your current radon testing. Purell Surface is used for sanitizing.

Playground:
Monthly playground checks weren't completed for the school year of 2022/2023. Please begin completing monthly playground inspections when you open in the fall of 2023. The playground has a piece of equipment.

Administrative records:
Leslie provides a newsletter to parents.
A weekly newsletter with the lesson plan is posted on See Saw for the parents.

**III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:**

Immanuel Lutheran Preschool opened in 1984. They have provided quality preschool services for nearly 40 years.
The staff have wonderful interactions with children. Leslie works very hard and provides excellent programming.
IQ4K level I
Fund raising events are held during the year.

Grants have been received for equipment and supplies.

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

109.11(3)d: Record of monthly inspections of outdoor recreation area and equipment shall be kept.
Monthly playground checks weren't completed for the school year of 2022/2023. Please begin completing monthly playground inspections when you open in the fall of 2023.

109.11(7)c: All centers: Annual inspection prior to heating season of all fuel-burning appliances to reduce risk of carbon monoxide poisoning and shall install one carbon monoxide detector on each floor that conforms to UL Standard 2034.
A fuel burning inspection is needed, please send me an email with the date of your current fuel burning inspection.

**V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:**

A full license is recommended for 2-1-2022 to 2-1-2024.
Off year licensing visit 5-11-2023.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact your DHS Licensing Consultant to discuss the issue. The child care director may also send a response which will be placed in the licensing file.

*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.