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

Name of Center: Ankeny BASP-Crocker **Enrollment:** 60 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 44371

Street: 2910 SW Applewood ST **City:** Ankeny Iowa **Zip** 50023 **County:** Polk

Mailing Address: Ankeny BASP306 SW School ST, Ankeny, IA, 50023

Director's Name: Nancy Jeffs/Jill Heimerman **Phone Number:** 515-965-9604

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** basp@ankenyschools.org

Date(s) of Visit: 02-27-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 01-05-2022

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

Date Inspected: 08-11-2022

Comments :

LICENSE TYPE: X **Child Care** **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 Preschool-Age X School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General				100	100
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 03-01-2022 to 03-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Debbie Hammer **Date:** 03-14-2023

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

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An off-year visit was conducted on 2/27/23. The director, Nancy, was present throughout the visit.

All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review. The playground had some snow coverage.

This is a before and after school program offered through the Ankeny School District. Nancy Jeffs is the director over all these school age programs, and meets the requirements for the position. Jill Heimerman is the co-director/assistant manager over all of these school age programs, she also meets the requirements for this position. Each school has an on-site director who meets the 75 point requirement, however at this time the program is actively seeking a candidate for this position at this site. Nancy is filling in for this role and is at the site daily, or pulls from another site someone who is qualified for this role if Nancy cannot be present.

This school is licensed as a year round program, however it may or may not be used during the summer months. The before school hours are 6:30-7:45 am except on Wednesday's when they meet until 8:45 am. After school hours are 2:55-6:00 pm. When school is delayed or canceled due to inclement weather, the program starts an hour later and ends at 4:30 when school is out early due to inclement weather or canceled.

This program meets primarily in the cafeteria and gym, however they also have use of the computer lab, library and art room. The bathrooms are directly across the hall from the cafeteria, so the staff can stand in the doorway and supervise children in the cafeteria as well as when they go into the bathrooms.

Almost three years have passed since the pandemic again. The program continues to follow all DHS guidelines pertaining to Covid-19. Due to staffing shortages the children who are enrolled for the program that attend at the Prairie Trail school site are transported to this site, Crocker.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The program offers structure and routine so the children always know what to expect. There is a good partnership between the school staff and the child care staff. They can communicate and work together if a child needs the consistent expectations from all adults. This is also helpful to the parents of a struggling child to know everybody is working together. The program is able to work with school staff regarding IEP plans and offer consistency in behavior plans between school and the program. The program and school staff work well together, especially with children who have more care needs.

Staff work well together and are in this role for the right reasons and have a willingness to learn and grow; they take initiative.

The staff are trained in PBIS and each school has its own PBIS team. The BASP uses an Enrichment program for the after

school sessions and this rotates every 9 weeks. This offers academic enrichment for the children.

BASP offers family engagement events and they have staff appreciation week. This has changed during the pandemic.

The program has Enrichment projects that follow the theme for the week and will have five different enrichment projects in one week. These also go along with the lesson plan.

The director and staff communicate with staff at Prairie Trail elementary with regard to the children from Prairie Trial who come to Crock for care. The two schools mesh well together at this site.

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

There were no aspects of operation that fell below the standards noted or observed during the visit.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

*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.