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

Name of Center: Our Savior Lutheran Preschool **Enrollment:** 308 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 21126

Street: 3775 Middle Rd **City:** Bettendorf Iowa **Zip** 52722 **County:** Scott

Mailing Address: 3775 Middle Rd, Bettendorf, IA, 52722

Director's Name: Lisa Piotter **Phone Number:** 563-332-4648

On-Site Supervisor(s): none **E-Mail:** oursaviorbett@gmail.com
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Date(s) of Visit: 08-30-2023

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

Date Inspected: 11-16-2022

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.) X 2 Years X 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			142		142
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 4

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 02-01-2023 to 02-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Hungate **Date:** 09-01-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced off year visit was completed at this preschool on 8/30/23. This large center continues to operate out of the Our Savior Lutheran Church and is owned and operated by the church. It is not for profit. The center is governed by the Early Childhood Ministries Board which includes an elected head of the board and church members and parents. The center director is Lisa Piotter. Lisa was present on the day of the visit along with many other staff. Lisa has been the director here for many years. She reports having a BS degree in early childhood as well as a National Administrator Credential. The center operates Monday through Friday from 8:45am to 11:45am and from 12:45pm to 3:45pm with various sections of preschool for ages two through six. The center operates an eight week program on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays from 8:45am to 11:45am during the summer for children age three through third grade if parents choose to enroll their children during that time. The center does participate in the Iowa Voluntary Preschool grant program.

The center consists of nine classroom areas, a fellowship area/indoor gym as parts of the church that are used by the center. There is also an adjacent outdoor play area. Each program room is abundantly stocked with accessible toys and materials for arts/crafts to support programming needs. Rooms are arranged with various interest and activity centers. The preschool areas continue to be very nicely decorated and present a very child friendly environment. The preschool materials are clean, organized, and well maintained. Preschool rooms are bright with windows. Most children travel to hallway restroom areas to use the restroom. Only one of the program rooms has its own adjacent restroom area. Children in the two rooms used for two year old children are taken to restroom areas across the hall for diapering activities. At least some of the restroom areas include diapering stations with the required postings and cleaning/disinfecting solution spray bottles. Most rooms have classroom sink(s) used for hand washing activities. The indoor gym provides an excellent space for indoor large motor activities. The various preschool classes are able to use the gym during their scheduled times. A wide variety of indoor activities are accessible and have been observed for the children in this space. All program space was observed.

The center continues to supply all items for snack, however, parents have to pay an extra fee for this. The center does not participate in the CACFP. Kitchen space is utilized and shared with the church functions and continues to be highly organized.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center continues to be managed by an experienced and educated director who also has her NAC credential. The staff were again observed to be highly engaged with the children in all program rooms, and the children appeared to be thoroughly enjoying their experience at preschool. The staff continue to work quite well together. Program rooms are well organized and supplied with accessible materials and postings for the children. The children's art work is posted throughout the preschool. The center has an ample supply of materials, and even materials in storage are organized so that they are accessible for staff to use and change out items. The center has an ample supply of books that are also neatly organized by topic. The center provides daily notes for the two year old children. The center continues to enjoy a highly supportive relationship with the church. The center has added a new play structure to the outdoor play area since the last licensing visit. Licensing documentation and staff and child files continue to be highly organized. The attention to detail in operating this large center does not go unnoticed.

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

109.10(3): Medications.
Compliance with medication requirements is again cited. Medication authorizations incomplete, missing specific dates for the period of authorization, medications present without any medication authorization

109.11(3)a: Sanitation and safety procedures for the center are developed and implemented to reduce risk or injury or harm to children and reduce transmission of disease.
Drinking water shall come from a food/beverage sink and not hand washing sink.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Ensure kitchen door is kept closed at all times.
2. Ensure all staff in ratio are directly involved with the children in program activities.
3. Tables and chairs are too tall for the two year old children in the eating area. Children shall first sit in chairs with their feet resting on the floor and the table then meeting them at just above the waist area.
4. Emergency plan posting at exit door nearest the P8 room is missing the diagram. Diagram needs to be moved with the other parts of the posting next to the door at the hallway outside exit door nearest to P7 and P9. Complete postings are needed at the two doorways leading from the eating room to the main hallway area.

The center will continue with a full license. Please correct the violations and address the concerns noted in the report so that corrections are obvious and ensure that items remain in compliance. This report does not require a written response. Thank you.

*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.