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

Name of Center: Little Friends Preschool **Enrollment:** 13 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 45805

Street: 607 Lynn St **City:** Tipton Iowa **Zip** 52772 **County:** Cedar

Mailing Address: 607 Lynn St, Tipton, IA, 52772

Director's Name: Daisy Little **Phone Number:** 563-886-2331

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** lfp@tiptonumc.org melody.williams@iaumc.net

Date(s) of Visit: 09-19-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 10-08-2021

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

Date Inspected: 08-23-2021

Comments : Does Comply.

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*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General			16		16
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 11-01-2023 to 11-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 09-21-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at Little Friends Preschool on 9/19/2023. The center provides preschool services for preschool aged children. The center is open Monday-Friday 9am-11:30am. The center has 13 children enrolled. The center is located inside of First United Methodist Church. The center's fire inspection was completed on 8/11/2021. The center uses one classroom.

The director is Daisy Little. She started in 8/2021. Daisy has an Associate's Degree.

This worker observed the children cleaning up for book time. A volunteer from the church read the children a book. They also worked on a letter A worksheet.

Nutritional practices were checked. Parents provide snack on a rotating basis. The kitchen was maintained in a clean/orderly fashion.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed. The center had medications stored appropriately. The center did practice appropriate hand washing procedures at required times. The center had a properly stocked first aid kit. The center did practice fire, tornado and emergency drills as required. The center completed radon testing as required.

The center went on a field trip to the Fire Station.

The center's policies, licensing notebook, staff files and child files were reviewed. The center also had required postings.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The director has developed a working relationship with Child Care Resource and Referral. She has also developed a working relationship with a Child Care Nurse Consultant.
-The director completed the Early Childhood Positive Behavior Interventions Support Preschool Training.
-The center utilizes the curriculum ABC Jesus Loves Me.
-The center is clean and nicely decorated.
-The center has a variety of age appropriate and engaging activities for the children to choose from.

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

109.9(1)b: All files contain: Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted.
-One employee needs an Iowa SING Check.

109.9(1)e: All files contain documentation to indicate that ongoing staff training requirements are met, including current certifications in first aid/CPR and mandatory child abuse training.

-One employee needs current First Aid/CPR.

109.9(3): Signed and dated Iowa immunization certificates are on file for each child enrolled.
-Two children need immunization records.
-One child needs their immunization record signed/dated.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. The center is directed to correct the items listed in Section IV. The director gave me a verbal commitment that the noted rule violations would be promptly corrected. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

The following agencies are available to provide consultation, support, and educational opportunities:

CACFP: https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/nutrition-programs/child-and-adult-care-food-program
Child Care Resource and Referral: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/
Early Childhood Iowa: https://earlychildhood.iowa.gov/
First Children's Finance: https://www.firstchildrensfinance.org/
Healthy Child Care Nurse Consultants: https://idph.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants
Iowa AEYC: http://www.iowaaeyc.org/
Iowa After School Alliance: https://www.iowaafterschoolalliance.org/
Iowa State University: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/early-childhood
4c's of Johnson County: https://www.iowa4cs.com/

*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.