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

Name of Center: Prince Of Peace Preschool & Childcare **Enrollment:** 25 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 18562

Street: 245 26th Ave N **City:** Clinton Iowa **Zip** 52732 **County:** Clinton

Mailing Address: 245 26th Ave N, Clinton, IA, 52732

Director's Name: Mary Jensen **Phone Number:** 563-242-9258

On-Site Supervisor(s): none **E-Mail:** mary.jensen@staff.prince.pvt.k12.ia.us

Date(s) of Visit: 01-05-2023

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: 12-19-2022

Comments : Center director sent email correspondence (1/17/19) from the fire inspector that the lower level room has been approved for use.

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: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 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	13	7	26		46
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: Heidi Hungate **Date:** 01-23-2023

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 center on 1/5/23. This program is owned and operated by the Prince of Peace Catholic School and overseen by the school board. The center operates out of its own building that is not part of the school. This center has been in operation prior to being licensed by DHS being overseen by the Department of Education. Mary Jensen is the DHS qualified center director and was present along with several other staff on the day of the licensing visit. This center serves infants through preschool aged children during the school year only on school days. The program does have an Iowa Voluntary Preschool Grant program in the building, but that aspect of the program is not licensed by DHS.

The following preschool and/or program rooms are licensed by DHS; fours room, threes room (three through four year old children), toddler room (18 months through two year old children), and nursery. It is noted that at the present time the center is not using the fours room except at nap time for a few children or for additional break out space for small groups of children. Program rooms were generally well organized and supplied with an adequate amount of accessible, well maintained materials to support programming needs. The center uses separated boys and girls hallway restroom areas. Children do have to travel from the program space for all toilet and most hand washing functions. Both restroom areas include diapering stations. The nursery does include a diaper station within the room as well as two separated sinks, one for food/bottle preparation and one for hand washing. The large lower level room has been approved by the fire inspector for use. The center uses this for indoor large motor space. There are also hallway restroom areas located on the lower level. All program space was observed.

The center does not participate in the CACFP but knows they shall meet those requirements for all meals and snacks served. The center serves snack, lunch, and snack. Parents pay one fee per day that covers all meals and snacks. Meals and snacks are prepared on site, typically by the center director, in the small kitchen area of the center. The kitchen area is organized.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center continues to be managed by an experienced and qualified director. Program rooms are colorfully painted and are bright with windows. Program rooms are very nicely arranged with accessible materials and are organized. The center appears clean and well maintained. The center is decorated with the children's projects and creations as well as photo postings of the children. Extra books and other materials are very organized at the center. The staff and director appear to work well together and were once again observed to be highly engaged with the children in activities. Licensing documentation and child files were found to be highly organized. Since the last licensing visit, the center director reports the center has purchased equipment for all of the rooms including; cribs, tables/chairs, toys, storage containers, floor mats/rugs, and dishwashing machine and refrigerator for the kitchen. She states they have also added some additional benefits for staff.

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

STAFF FILES:
109.7(1): All staff(within first 3 months of employment)Two hours of approved training FOR the mandatory reporting of child abuse. At least one hour of training regarding universal precautions and infectious disease control. Certification in American Red Cross, American Heart Association, American Safety and Health institute or MEDIC First Aid infant, child, and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) OR equivalent certification approved by the department. A valid certificate indicating the date of training and expiration date shall be maintained. Certification in infant, child, and adult first aid that uses a nationally recognized curriculum or is received from a nationally recognized training organization including the American Red Cross, American Heart Association, American Safety and Health Institute or MEDIC First Aid or an equivalent certification approved by the department. A valid certificate indicating the date of training and expiration date shall be maintained. Minimum health and safety trainings, approved by the Department. If significant changes occur to content, the Department may require the training be renewed.
_1_ staff file reviewed universal precautions was not completed within the first three months of employment.

109.9(1)a: All files contain statement signed by staff indicating whether they have a criminal conviction or founded child/dependent adult abuse.
_1_ staff file reviewed did not have this required statement.

109.9(1)b: All files contain: A signed copy of DHS criminal history record check or any other permission form approved by the Department of public Safety for conducting an Iowa or national criminal history check. A copy of Request for Child Abuse Information. Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted. Copies of national criminal history check results. Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.
_3_ staff files reviewed did not have the Iowa record check (SING) completed prior to the staff starting at the center as is required. One of these has not been completed in full to indicate the employee has been cleared to work at the center.
_1_ staff file reviewed national record check has not been completed to indicate that the employee has been cleared to continue working at the center.

109.10(3): Medications.
Epi pens present without current valid medication authorizations completed by the parent.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Emergency plan posting at the back exit door from the lower level room is missing the center name/address/phone number and the phone numbers for police/fire/poison control.
2. The sink pipe is leaking in the lower level girls restroom and needs to be repaired.
3. The garbage disposal in the kitchen is leaking and needs to be repaired.
4. Relocate recliner chair in the toddler room so that it does not partially block the door between rooms.
5. Remove items stored on the diaper station. This area shall remain free of items so that nothing is contaminated and so that the area can be properly cleaned and disinfected.

The center will continue with a full license, however, it is noted that the center needs attention in the area of staff file compliance both for requirements pre-employment as well as ongoing training requirements. The center is directed to correct the items cited and the items noted above in this section of the report and to submit a written summary to the licensing consultant as to how and when those corrections are/will be completed. The written summary shall be submitted within 30 days of receipt of this evaluation. 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.