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

**Name of Center:** St Luke's Childcare **Enrollment:** 45 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 46849

**Street:** 1102 NW Weigel Dr **City:** Ankeny Iowa **Zip** 50023 **County:** Polk

**Mailing Address:** 1102 NW Weigel Dr, Ankeny, IA, 50023

**Director's Name:** Misty Hade **Phone Number:** 515-985-7074

**On-Site Supervisor(s):** N/A **E-Mail:** careprogram@slte-school.org

**Date(s) of Visit:** 10-16-2024

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

**LICENSING VISITS**

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

**Signed Application (470-0722) Received** X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 03-04-2024

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

**Date Inspected:** 08-16-2022

**Comments :** Fire inspections are due at least every three years.

**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:** 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 |
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| General | | | | 45 | 45 |
| Summer | | | | | 0 |

**QRS Rating:** N/A

| RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE: | |
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| 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:** Maggie Gibson, SWIV **Date:** 11-04-2024

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

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

An unannounced off year visit was completed 10/16/24. Present for the entire visit was Misty Hade (director).

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic School opened in the fall of 2015. The first year they served kindergarten through third grade, and each year they added an additional grade and they are now teaching up through eighth grade. They offer a child care program only during the school year, for children up to age 12, and only on days school is in session. Before school care is offered from 7:00-8:15 am, and after school from 3:15-5:30 pm.

The school principal is Misty Hade. Misty Hade is also listed as the Director. Misty has a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education, Early Childhood and Special Education. Misty also has a Master's degree in Educational Administration. Misty has several years' experience working in elementary school programming. Scott Huber has several years' experience working in school programs, including a prior before and after school program. Misty meets the qualifications for this position.

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.

Room observation/Activities: The program meets in the gym primarily with access to the restrooms and a few other rooms when needed. The gym was observed to have many activities available/stored in the gym for the BASP. There is also snack storage in the gym for easy access.

Nutrition Practices: The school kitchen is accessible but not utilized for this program. The program does provide snacks, served cafeteria style.

Health and safety: handwashing signs were posted; medications would be stored securely. The program has access to first aid kits. Fire and Tornado drills were documented to have been completed as required. Emergency exit plans were posted. Radon was tested in 10/2022. The heating and cooling is managed by the school.

Playground: The playground is furnished and maintained by the school; playground checks were documented as having been completed monthly.

Transportation: NA

Administrative review: Information regarding mandatory reporter; handbook accessibility, consultant contact, license, fire/tornado plans and non-smoking signs were posted as required. Five child files were reviewed; with some needing an annual update; the school also stores some of the information.

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

This program offers a needed child care program within the school the children attend.

There are consistent expectations from the school day through the program.

The program has a secure entrance.

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

109.9(2): All files are updated at least annually and when a change occurs.

**V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The program last completed radon testing in October of 2022 and all rooms tested were under the 4.0 cutoff.

*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.