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

Name of Center: Indianola Preschool Inc **Enrollment:** 102 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 28274

Street: 205 S Howard Ste B **City:** Indianola Iowa **Zip** 50125 **County:** Warren

Mailing Address: 205 S Howard Ste B, Indianola, IA, 50125

Director's Name: Allison Putney **Phone Number:** 515-961-3798

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** indianolapreschool@hotmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 12-01-2023

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:** 10-04-2022

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

Date Inspected: 12-07-2023

Comments :

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			45		45
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 12-01-2022 to 12-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 12-22-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

The Indianola Preschool has been in operation since 1955. This center provides programming to children ranging from three to five years of age. The preschool offers a wraparound/child care program also. The preschool is held within a single standing building. There is a secured entrance. Allison Putney is the director. Allison came to the preschool in 2019.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to HHS licensing rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are posted at the center's entrance.
classroom schedules and lesson plans were posted also. Each classroom is well furnished with age appropriate furnishings. Each class has defined, labeled interest centers.

Allison was present and she assisted with today's. The Firefly class (4/5's) had fifteen children present. Two staff were working in this class. The Spider class (5's) had eight children present. One staff was working in this classroom. The Grasshopper's class (3/4's) had ten children present. There were two staff working with this class. Children were observed during child directed play activities and during circle learning time. Children were doing art activities and singing Christmas songs. Children were observed on the playground during the visit.

The center serves snack. Menus reflect CACFP guidelines are followed. Children who attend all day programming bring their own lunches.

The center's playground has rubber mulch and concrete for surfacing. There is fencing around the playground. Monthly checks are completed by staff.

The center walks to some field trips. Parents transport their own children if transportation is needed to field trips.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Indianola Preschool has been in operation for many years. Allison has a lot of good experience in early childhood education and child care. The program areas have well developed interest centers.

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

There were no licensing violations cited during the visit.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The center has a full license.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 515-362-7823); email mross@dhs.state.ia.us) so that we may discuss the issue. If necessary, I can make a notation in your record. You may also send a letter that will be included in your licensing file noting any disagreement you may have with this report. If you have the need for any additional information discussed during my visit, please contact me and I will forward the information to you. Thank you.

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