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

Name of Center: Corridor Christian Early Learning Center **Enrollment:** 85 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 33593

Street: 70 S Kansas AVE **City:** North Liberty Iowa **Zip** 52317 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 70 S Kansas AVE, North Liberty, IA, 52317

Director's Name: Melissa Schilling **Phone Number:** 319-665-5623

On-Site Supervisor(s): Katlin Wheeler **E-Mail:** ccelc@southslope.net

Date(s) of Visit: 02-28-2025

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:** 01-03-2024

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

Date Inspected: 01-03-2025

Comments : Does comply.

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 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	12	12	38	39	101
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 04-01-2024 to 04-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 03-23-2025

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at CORRIDOR CHRISTIAN EARLY LEARNING CENTER – 33593 for an annual visit on 2/28/2025. The fire inspection was completed on 1/3/2025. The center is nonprofit. The center is overseen by a board of directors. The center is inside of Heartland Community Church. The center has five classrooms, a large motor room, office, kitchen, storage space and restrooms.

The center is open year around. The hours of operation are 6:00am to 6:00pm. The center provides care for infants to school aged children. The center's current enrollment is 85 children.

The director is Melissa Schilling. She started in 2014. She has a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education.

The on-site supervisor is Kaitlin Wheeler. She started in 2014. She has a bachelor's degree in Education.

This worker observed all programming space in the center and outdoor area to ensure that the environment was safe, sanitary and hazard free. The staff and children were observed outdoor playing, one staff member was doing circle time with the children, staff were assisting the children at lunch, and staff did a great job of being at the children's level. The children's classrooms were clean, nicely decorated and had a wide variety of educational and engaging activities for the children to chose from.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed including handwashing, medication management, appropriate cleaning/sanitizing/disinfecting, excluding ill children/staff, incident reports, and first aid kits. Safe sleep practices were observed during my visit.

Nutritional practices and food safety were observed. The center offers breakfast, morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack.

This worker reviewed required postings. This worker checked staff files and child files. The licensing notebook including emergency drills, first aid supplies, playground checklist, radon testing, HVAC testing and policies were reviewed.

The center does communicate with parents via: emails, public Facebook, in person conversations

The center's curriculum is teacher created utilizing the following curriculum: Wee Learning and Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports.

The center does offer field trips and provides transportation to and from several schools.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The director and on-site supervisor have been with the center since 2014.

-Classrooms are clean, nicely decorated and welcoming to those who enter.
-The children have access to a wide variety of educational and engaging activities.
-Staff did an excellent job of being at the children's level.
-Staff files, child files and the licensing notebook were in full compliance.
-The director does an excellent job of training employees and providing support in the classrooms.
-The director has also done a great job of maintaining employees.
-Daily schedules and curriculums were posted in every classroom.
-The center has several events to keep families engaged. They include: Christmas Program, Mother's Day Luncheon, Father's Day Breakfast and a Thanksgiving Luncheon.

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

The center was in full compliance on the date of my visit.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

This worker encourages you to develop a working relationship with your Child Care Resource and Referral Child Care Consultant: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/ and you Healthy Child Care Iowa Nurse Consultant: https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/child-care/hcci. These two agencies are a wonderful resource to help centers be successful.

Please do not hesitate to contact the licensing consultant, Heidi Brown, if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at 515-631-8846 or heidi.brown@hhs.iowa.gov

*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.