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## CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: B-F Pre-Kindergarten

Provider No.: 28429

Address: 502 N Main St, Bridgewater, IA, 50837

County: Adair

Director's Name: Kristen Walker

On-Site Supervisor:

Phone Number: 6417455155

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HHS Visit Date: 11/17/2025

Licensing Period: 11/01/2024 to 11/01/2026

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**Fire Inspection:**

Date Inspected: 11/12/2024

Comments:

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**Report Visit Type:**

- [ ] PTO
- [ ] Licensing Visit
- [X] Drop In
- [ ] Administrative Change

**License Type:**

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

**Quality initiative:**

- [ ] Accrediation

**Program Duration:**

- [ ] Year-Round
- [X] School Year
- [ ] Summer Only

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**Program Population Served:**

- [ ] Infant(0-<24 Months)
- [ ] Toddler
- [X] PreSchool
- [ ] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

| LICENSE CAPACITY | Infants | 2 Years | Preschool | School-Aged | Capacity |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| General | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 30 |
| Summer | | | | | 0 |

**1. Basic Overview**

An unannounced licensing visit was made to B-F Pre-Kindergarten on 11/17/25. The preschool is non-profit and overseen by a Board. Kristen Walker is the director. Her family purchased the school building several years ago from the school district. B-F Pre-Kindergarten is a small preschool program for children ages three through five years old. The preschool is located in the old Nodaway Elementary School in Bridgewater, Iowa. Classes are held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings. Kristen has been the director and lead teacher since 2002. Kristen has her CDA, BA degree in Elementary Education, and has several reading and prekindergarten endorsements. Kristen is also the director at Immanuel Little Lambs Preschool in Greenfield, Iowa. I met with the director, Kristen Walker, during my licensing visit. There are 14 children enrolled in the program.

Observation of rooms:
Both program rooms looked great and have a fun variety of age and developmentally appropriate toys and equipment. The children were having fun playing in the activity centers. Kristen and her assistant teacher, Roberta, were present. They had excellent interactions with the children. They were positive and nurturing. The preschool uses Highlights Curriculum, Creative Learning Curriculum, Owls Learning Curriculum, and Handwriting Without Tears Learning Curriculum. Kristen has lesson plans/activities. The center provides fun events throughout the year i.e. Christmas program, grandparents night, a dinner, carnival, gals night, and guys night. They have a family activity every month. They have conferences in March and October. After the children were done playing in the indoor gym, they all returned to the rooms and washed their hands so they could have snack.

Nutrition:
The center provides the daily snack. Kristen said she follows the CACFP food program guidelines. They have a snack menu.

Health and safety:
Monthly fire/tornado drills are practiced and documented. The center also practices an active shooter drill but uses a different name so the children know what to do if they hear the word, but they don't realize why they are doing the drill. The center uses bleach/water for sanitizing. Radon testing was completed in March 2023 with a test result of 3.8 pCi/L. Radon testing is due every five years. Kristen reported that the building has all electrical appliances.

Playground:
The center has a playground area and monthly inspections were completed. They also have an indoor gym.

Transportation:
The center doesn't provide daily transportation services. The program takes walking field trips in the area.

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Administrative records:
Staff files were read. Kristen is missing current First Aid/CPR and her annual professional development. Child files were read and were in excellent order. Kristen maintains excellent communication with parents and provides a monthly calendar/newsletter of events and a weekly note. Parent teacher conferences are held twice a year.

**2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program**

Your program is a wonderful resource for the community. The preschool is family owned. Kristen Walker has many years of experience in preschool/child care and education fields. She has her CDA and her Elementary Education Degree with Reading and Pre K endorsements. She is confident as the director and is very enthusiastic and proud of her centers. She is organized and maintains licensing documentation in a binder. Kristen is the director at Immanuel Little Lambs Preschool in Greenfield, Iowa. Kristen and Roberta had excellent interactions with the children. The center has participated in dental and vision screenings for the children. The center has a couple of fundraisers a year that have been very successful - i.e. a drive through supper and ordering items. Kristen identified their strengths as the staff enjoy being with the children, it is community minded and they have community support, and they have successful fundraisers.

**3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard**

109.7(2): Center directors and all staff have the required contact hours of training.

**4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance**

**5. Special Notes/Recommendations**

A full license is recommended for 11/1/24 to 11/1/26.

109.7(2): Kristen is missing her current First Aid/CPR training as well as her annual professional development hours.

Date: 11/18/2025

HHS Licensing Consultant: Tausha Bottorff

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Care License. Please take steps necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above.

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