Health and Human Services

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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Shalom Preschool

Provider No.: 52360

Address: 3600 75th ST, Urbandale, IA, 50322

County: Polk

Director's Name: Debora Kellogg

On-Site Supervisor:

Phone Number: 5154435537

E-Mail: debisreading@gmail.com

HHS Visit Date: 11/06/2025

Licensing Period: 02/01/2026 to 02/01/2028

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 03/12/2025

Comments: Fire inspections due at least every three years; completed by David Wyner, Urbandale Fire Dept

Report Visit Type:

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

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [X] Year-Round
- [ ] 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			32		32
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

An unannounced licensing visit was completed 11-6-25. The interim director was present.

Shalom preschool was given permission to open 10/20/23 with a capacity of 32. This pre-school operates from 'United Methodist Church in Urbandale. The program has the support of the church and the pastor often assists in daily program needs (usually transportation). The director is Debora Kellogg; who has years of pre-school and teaching experience; and meets the requirements for director. The assistant director is Michelle Breach.

The hours of operation for pre-school are MTR 9A-12:30PM.

Rooms are in ratio and staff have a good structure in the rooms. The children appear content and staff were positive and responsive to the children. Lesson plans are pulled from Iowa Early Learning standards. Some children in the program are new English speakers at times. There is also a fellowship component built in. The rooms have a variety of age/developmentally appropriate play centers and activities. Children have ready access to clean restrooms that contained necessary toiletries.

There is an on-site kitchen that is shared with the church. The program offers free lunch.

This program utilizes the large green/play space available at the church.

The program has 12, 15 and 7 passenger vans to assist in transportation. These are owned/maintained by the church.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

This center is located in a church that also offers English learning classes and is convenient for parents attending those classes.

This center has good support from the church.

This center is nicely arranged and offers a variety of centers for the children.

The staff appear very engaged with the children and responsive to their needs.

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3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

The files were missing documentation of exams and other required information. The director and assistant director are working to create and maintain files that will be complete and easier to access on demand.

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

NA

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

Director will ensure staff and child files are updated annually.

A full two-year license is recommended.

Date: 01/13/2026

HHS Licensing Consultant: Maggie Gibson, SWIVm

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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