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

Name of Center: Praising Paws Preschool **Enrollment:** 7 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 30241

Street: 405 W 2nd St **City:** Sanborn Iowa **Zip** 51248 **County:** Obrien

Mailing Address: 405 W 2nd St, Sanborn, IA, 51248

Director's Name: Holly Rozenboom **Phone Number:** 712-729-3288

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** hrozenboom@sanbornchristian.com

Date(s) of Visit: 04-24-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 04-25-2023

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

Date Inspected: 09-14-2021

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	0	0	21	0	21
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 4

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 05-01-2023 to 05-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Jana Drew **Date:** 05-02-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

On 04-24-23 a licensing visit to Praising Paws Preschool in Sanborn. I met with Holly Rozenboom, Director/lead teacher at Sanborn Christian School. Ms. Rozenbaum has a Bachelors degree in Elementary Education with Early Childhood Endorsement. Ms Rozenboom became the director August 2020. The preschool operates out of a classroom in the Sanborn Christian School. The preschool operates on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30-11:30 am and serves children who are four and five-years-old.

There are 7 children enrolled in the program. All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review. The center continues in following the guidelines put forth by DHS regarding the corona-virus and doing everything they can to support their families. The center has been cleaning toys. Sufficient amount of toys and equipment for the number of children. Daily schedule of activities was posted. Displayed throughout the room were colors, shapes, job chart, children's artwork and the alphabet. The center received new curriculum called BJU which utilizes more math and science as well as a Bible curriculum. They do still use some of the Creative Curriculum as well.

The program gets snacks from the School. Center stores food appropriately and milk is provided in a refrigerator in the classroom. Center follows CACFP guidelines.

Center does not administer medications. Center has a working carbon monoxide detector. First aid kit is sufficient to treat minor injuries but should be checked on a monthly basis to make sure nothing is low in the kit.

Fire/tornado drills are recorded monthly. Annual heating inspection completed. Good sanitary procedures are followed. Staff and children exhibited good hand washing procedures. Radon test was completed and within normal range. Center has worked with a radon mitigation company in the past to help maintain appropriate radon levels in the past. All program areas were observed to be clean and well maintained. Good health and safety policies /procedures are in place.

Center Playground
Preschool playground is adjacent to the school building. The playground has slides and climbing equipment. Pea gravel is around all the playground equipment. They also have access to a gym when the weather prevents them from going outside. Shade is available on the playground. Playground inspections are completed monthly. The program is looking at updating the playground with new playground equipment that the school has done fundraising for as well as received the BIP grant. If inclement weather the program can use the school gym.

Center Transportation Arrangements/Field Trips
Center does not transport children to and from school. Center uses parents to help transport for field trips. Parent volunteers should have statement of conviction completed as well as background checks when with the children.

Goals of the program are to update the playground; Center is also looking at updating the preschool playground to look at different surfacing and new playground equipment .Also,

to get on the IQ4K program

Strengths of the program is that Ms Rozemboom has a good relationship and communication with the kids and families that they serve. The program also has 13 preschoolers registered for next school year.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Communication with parents is thru weekly newsletter, texting or by phone.

Center does parent surveys to help with ideas of ways to keep improving the program.

QRS rating of level 4 out of level 5.

The program does home visits twice a year along with conferences twice a year.

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

109.6(5)c: Undergo record check process if: It is included in meeting the required child/staff ratio. Has direct responsibility for a child or children. Has access to child or children when no other staff is present.
Volunteers need to have background checks completed.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Please email consultant when those aspects that fall below standards have been completed. Please complete by 05-23-23.

A full license is recommended at this time at this time.

At least one visit will be made to the center during the next year.

*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.