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

Name of Center: Little Friends Preschool **Enrollment:** 11 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 45805

Street: 607 Lynn St **City:** Tipton Iowa **Zip** 52772 **County:** Cedar

Mailing Address: 607 Lynn St, Tipton, IA, 52772

Director's Name: Daisy Little **Phone Number:** 563-886-2331

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** lfp@tiptonumc.org

Date(s) of Visit: 11-04-2022

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:** 10-08-2021

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

Date Inspected: 08-23-2021

Comments : Does Comply.

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			16		16
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 11-01-2021 to 11-01-2023
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 11-07-2022

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

I arrived at Little Friends Preschool for an annual visit on 11/4/2022. The center is nonprofit. The center provides preschool. The center is open Monday-Friday 9:00am to 11:30am. The center has 11 children enrolled.

The center is inside of First United Methodist Church. The center uses a classroom. The center's fire inspection was completed on 8/11/21.

The director is Daisy Little. She started in 8/2021. Daisy has an Associate's Degree.

The center utilizes the curriculum ABC Jesus Loves Me.

The center asks parents to bring snacks on a rotating basis.

The center takes a walking field trip to the fire station. The center has visitors come including law enforcement, Mrs. Science and the Conservation Officer Mrs. Sarah and Mrs. Lois from the Church. The Lion's Club also comes to do Eye Sight tests.

All program space was observed. The areas observed included: classroom safety/activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observations, field trip/transportation practices, and file/policies/notebook review.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The director has developed a working relationship with Child Care Resource and Referral. She has also developed a working relationship with a Child Care Nurse Consultant.
-The center's licensing notebook and staff files were organized.
-The center is clean and nicely decorated.
-The center has a variety of age appropriate and engaging activities for the children to choose from.
-The center redid their playground. The playground has slides, play houses, picnic table, climbing structure, and rocker. The center also added additional fall surfacing and fence.

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

109.9(3): Signed and dated Iowa immunization certificates are on file for each child enrolled.
-Number invalid: 2

109.10(1)a: Preschool (for children five years and younger not enrolled in school): Physical exam report submitted within 30 days of admission, was obtained no more than 12 months prior to admission, is signed by a licensed MD, DO, PA, or ARNP, and contains health history; present health status including allergies, medications, and acute/chronic conditions; and

recommendations for continued care if necessary.
-Number not in compliance: 1

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. The center is directed to correct the items listed in Section IV. The director gave me a verbal commitment that the noted rule violations would be promptly corrected. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

The following agencies are available to provide consultation, support, and educational opportunities:

CACFP: https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/nutrition-programs/child-and-adult-care-food-program
Child Care Resource and Referral: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/
Early Childhood Iowa: https://earlychildhood.iowa.gov/
First Children's Finance: https://www.firstchildrensfinance.org/
Healthy Child Care Nurse Consultants: https://idph.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants
Iowa AEYC: http://www.iowaaeyc.org/
Iowa After School Alliance: https://www.iowaafterschoolalliance.org/
Iowa State University: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/early-childhood
4c's of Johnson County: https://www.iowa4cs.com/

*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.