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

Name of Center: Siouxland Christian Eagles Aftercare **Enrollment:** 60 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 50253

Street: 6000 Gordon Dr **City:** Sioux City Iowa **Zip** 51106 **County:** Woodbury

Mailing Address:

Director's Name: Laura Wright **Phone Number:** 712-224-4784

On-Site Supervisor(s): Connie Bates **E-Mail:** lwright@siouxlandchristian.org

Date(s) of Visit: 08-14-2024

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 08-23-2023

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

Date Inspected: 07-13-2023

Comments : Program is adding another classroom to increase capacity. Capacity will change from 74 to 100. School year begins on 08-23-24. Connie Bates will be the new onsite supervisor, and Laura Wright remains as director. Program will also add before school in addition to after school. Hours will be 6:30am to 7:30am and 3:00pm to 5:30pm. They have 1x everyother month where the program will have an early out at 1:00pm and program in the afternoon will be 1:00-5:30pm.

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: Infants (0-23 mo.) 2 Years Preschool-Age X 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				100	100
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 08-28-2023 to 01-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Jana Drew **Date:** 08-20-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Visited the center on 12-11-23 and spoke with Director Laura Wright. Laura is also the director of Siouxland Christian Preschool. Amy Javorsky, had been the director, however, they moved the school age program to the Siouxland Christian Preschool building back in 2021 so this program had closed in the spring of 2021. On 08-23-23 the program reopened for the afternoon only for school age children Kindergarten to 6th grade. Jacob Crabtree is the onsite supervisor and a teacher at Siouxland Christian School. The program operates Monday thru Friday 3:00-5:30pm. Once a month the program has an early out for a teacher in service at 12:30pm on a Wednesday so children are there from 12:30 to 5:30pm on that day. The program uses two classrooms and the lunch area(for snacks) and the gym. Capacity is 74.

There are 40 children enrolled in the program. At the time of the visit there were 24 children present. The center continues in following all guidelines put forth by DHS regarding the corona-virus and doing everything they can to support their staff and families during this time. The center continues in cleaning toys daily that children use. Sufficient amount of toys and equipment for the number of children. Daily schedule of activities was posted. Parent board needs to be posted for families. The center utilizes Christian based Curriculum. Center uses Bright Wheel App for administration duties.

The program provides healthy snacks They are not currently on the food program but follows nutritional snacks of the food program. All areas of the program were observed.

The center utilizes the commons area and the adjacent gym. The children have a fun variety of age and developmentally appropriate toys and equipment. Children have access to bathrooms and need to be in sight at all times.

Center Nutrition Practices Observed
The center provides snacks. The center has a refrigerator with appropriate temperature for food storage. Good food storage practices were observed. The center follows the CACFP guidelines for nutrition but are not on the food program.

Center Health & Safety
Center does not administer any medication. Tables are sanitized prior to children eating. First aid kit is sufficient to treat minor injuries. Fire/Tornado drills were documented. Radon test and annual heating inspection are exempt as the program does not serve preschool children. If the center were to start serving preschool children then these would be required for licensing. Good health and safety policies/procedures are in place.

Center Playground
A fenced in playground is adjacent to the center. The playground has fairly new playground equipment. Rubber mulch and Turf are used for surfacing around all the playground equipment. A large gym is also available for the children to use during inclement weather. Shade is available on the playground. Center completes monthly playground inspection.

Center Transportation Arrangements/Field Trips
The center does not transport the children.

Goals that to hire more staff. Get on IQ4K for this site.

Strengths that Laura feels the program has is that she has good relationship with the children/families that she serves as well as a good relationship and support from the school and tries to improve her program every year. She also works closely with CCRR for their support and resource.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Staff have good relationship with the children they serve and their parents.

Positive interaction with the children.

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

109.4(3)a: Postings are required for:The certificate of license.Notice of exposure to communicable disease.Notice of decision to deny, suspend, or revoke center license or reduce to provisional status.All postings shall be conspicuously placed at main entrance of center.

109.4(3)b: Postings are required for:Mandatory reporter requirements.Notice of availability of handbook.Program activities.These shall be posted in area frequented by parents or public.

109.9(1)b: All files contain:A signed copy of DHS criminal history record check or any other permission form approved by the Department of public Safety for conducting an Iowa or national criminal history check. A copy of Request for Child Abuse Information.Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted.Copies of national criminal history check results.Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.

109.10(1)b: School-age (for children five years and older and enrolled in school): Annual statement of health status signed by parent is submitted prior to admission, certifies that the child is free of communicable disease, and lists allergies, medications and acute/chronic conditions.
Number not in compliance: 1

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Please provide a written response to the licensing consultant by 01-15-24 of items not meeting licensing standards.

A full license will remain in effect 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.