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

Name of Center: Praising Paws Preschool **Enrollment:** 14 **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: 04-18-2024

Licensing Visit **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:** 04-25-2023

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

Date Inspected: 12-08-2022

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: N/A

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:** 04-19-2024

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

On 04-18-24 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 14 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 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 uses 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 received some grant money and purchased new tables and storage unit for the classroom.

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, however is above normal and needs to be retested. 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 updated their surfacing from pea gravel to turf. They also added a new slide and will add a tetertator. They do have a climbing equipment which also has new turf for surfacing. They also have access to a gym when the weather prevents them from going outside. Playground inspections are completed monthly.

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 get cameras in all the rooms and outside the building, finish the playground. 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 now has an aide in the classroom.

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.

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:

109.9(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.
Number not in compliance: 2

109.9(2)b: All files contain sufficient information and authorization to allow the center to secure emergency medical and dental services at any time child is in center's care.
Number not in compliance for dental: 1
Information lacking: Information was missing.

109.11(7)b: Centers at ground level that use basement area as program space, or have a basement beneath program space: Testing and plan for remedy of radon is conducted.
Radon needs to be retested as results were above normal.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Please email consultant when those aspects that fall below standards have been completed. Please complete by 05-23-24.

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.