Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Noah's Ark Preschool

Provider No.: 21153

Address: 337 W Lotte St, Blue Grass, IA, 52726

County: Scott

Director's Name: Sara Seburg

On-Site Supervisor: Stephanie Diekema and Natalie Pilgrim

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HHS Visit Date: 11/18/2025

Licensing Period: 12/01/2025 to 12/01/2027

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 09/13/2023

Comments: Does comply.

Report Visit Type:

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

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

Quality Rating: 4

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [ ] Year-Round
- [X] School Year
- [ ] Summer Only

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HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*
Sunday			
Monday		7:30 AM to 4:15 PM	
Tuesday		7:30 AM to 4:15 PM	
Wednesday		7:30 AM to 4:15 PM	
Thursday		7:30 AM to 4:15 PM	
Friday		7:30 AM to 4:15 PM	
Saturday			

Program Population Served:

- [ ] Infant(0-<24 Months)
- [ ] Toddler
- [X] PreSchool
- [ ] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General			58		58
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

This worker arrived at NOAH'S ARK PRESCHOOL - 21153 on 11/18/2025 for an annual visit. The fire inspection was completed on 9/13/2023. The center is nonprofit and overseen by a board of directors. The center serves preschool aged children. The center is open during the school year. The hours of operation are Monday-Friday 7:30am-4:15pm. The current enrollment is 56.

The director is Sara Seberg. She started in 8/2010. Sara has a Master's in Educational Technology, a Bachelor's in Elementary Education, Reading and Early Childhood Education Endorsements.

The onsite supervisors are Natalie Pilgrim and Stephanie Diekema. Natalie Pilgrim started in 9/2011. She has a Bachelor's in Marketing. Stephanie Diekema started in 9/2011. She has a Master's in Administration and a Bachelor's in Elementary Educations with Early Childhood Endorsement.

This worker observed all programming space in the center and outdoor area to ensure that the environment was safe, sanitary and hazard free. The center was safe, sanitary and hazard free. Staff does an excellent job with preparing educational and engaging activities for the children. The center staff provided careful supervision during the visit. The center was in ratio during the visit.

The center ensures that: medication is stored and documented appropriately, handwashing procedures are followed and staff know how to use the cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting products.

The center provides: breakfast, morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack. The center is on the Child and Adult Care Food

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Program. The center ensures that each child is served a full, nutritionally balanced meal/snack as defined by CACFP guidelines. Staff provided careful supervision at the table during snacks and meals. Sanitary and safe methods in food preparation, serving, and storage sufficient to prevent transmission of disease, infestation, and spoilage were followed. Menus were posted.

The center's curriculum is teacher created using the following curriculum: Creative Curriculum, Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) and Funny Daffer.

The center takes field trips to the Elementary School, Library and Museums.

All required postings were displayed on the date visit. Child files were in full compliance. Staff files were in full compliance.

The licensing notebook was in full compliance including floor plans, drills, first aid checklist, playground inspections, fuel burning inspection, radon testing, staff handbook/parent handbook, and emergency preparedness.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

-The center utilizes Brightwheel for open communication.
-The center has a certified Nature Explore Playground.
-This is the center's third year participating in a voluntary site-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS).
-The center is the only licensed preschool with wrap around care.
-The center has Level 4 Iowa Quality for Kids.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

Full compliance on the date of my visit.

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

Based upon the annual visit, it is recommended that this center remain in full licensing status. If citations were issued please ensure that they are corrected as soon as possible. It is important that the director and all staff review the updated Iowa Code 109 https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/providerportal/DocumentViewer.aspx?ID=19 and Comm. 204: https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/6489/download?inline

This worker encourages all centers to work with Child Care Resource and Referral Consultant and their Child Care Nurse Consultant.

Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) Agencies play a vital role in supporting the quality of child care across Iowa by offering both on-site and virtual consultation services to licensed preschools, Child Care Centers, nonregistered Child Care Home providers and registered Child Development Home (CDH) providers. CCR&R agencies assist providers in complying with state regulations by offering expert consultation, training, and professional development opportunities to enhance the quality of care they provide. A key focus is supporting providers in achieving high performance within the Iowa Quality for Kids (IQ4K®) system https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/child-care/iq4k, which aims to improve child care quality across the state. In addition to supporting providers, CCR&R agencies also offer parent referral services and consumer education, helping families navigate the child care system and find quality care options.

Child Care Nurse Consultants (CCNCs) are registered nurses who have early childhood training and are experts in child health, child care, and child safety. CCNC services are available statewide and are part of the Healthy Child Care Iowa program. ECE providers may call or email questions to their local CCNC about health and safety policies, health records, health resources, and specific child health or safety concerns. To contact your local CCNC go to

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https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/child-care/hcci and click on the “CCNC Local Services Map.”

Date: 11/30/2025

HHS Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown

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.

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at **https://iowaccrr.org**.