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

Name of Center: Faith's Flock Preschool **Enrollment:** 40 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 28419

Street: 602 S 14th ST **City:** Adel Iowa **Zip** 50003 **County:** Dallas

Mailing Address: 602 S 14th ST, Adel, IA, 50003

Director's Name: Kylee Henderson **Phone Number:** 515-993-3858

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** preschool@faithadel.com

Date(s) of Visit: 10-17-2024

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 10-11-2023

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

Date Inspected: 09-09-2022

Comments : State Fire Marshal inspections are due every three years.

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.) X 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	24	0	24
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 1

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 12-01-2023 to 12-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Nate Knepper **Date:** 10-18-2024

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

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An off-year visit was conducted on 10/17/24. The director was present throughout the visit as was the assistant teacher.

All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, ratios, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review.

Faith's Flock Preschool is located in the Faith Lutheran Church in Adel, IA. The preschool offers classes for children ages two through five years of age during the school year. There are AM and PM classes Monday - Thursday and AM only classes on Fridays.

The preschool is owned by the church. There is a Preschool Advisory Board who provides additional consultation. The preschool utilizes a combination of the Creative Learning Curriculum and another curriculum called Beginner's Bible. The director as of 6/14/18 is Kylee Henderson. Kylee has a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Development. Kylee has past experience working with children in the school setting, child care center setting, and in-home setting .

There is one large classroom and then a kitchenette area within the classroom where children eat snacks. There are two restrooms just outside the classroom. Each restroom has a sink and a toilet.

During the visit, children were engaged in circle/calendar/large group activities. Children were observed and overheard discussing with their teachers different activities there are to do in the Fall season. Later, children were working on how to pronounce words, and later singing a song. At the end of the visit, children were observed washing their hands and then saying a prayer before sitting down for snack.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The program has a preschool advisory board made up of parents of children who attend the program, church members, and staff.

A professional cleaning service cleans the classroom two nights a week.

The preschool has been in operation since 1982 and meets a need in the community. Enrollment remains steady.

The preschool has their own website that contains other/specific information about the program.

A monthly newsletter is sent out to parents. There are also two parent-teacher conferences a year.

There is a secure entrance into the program.

The director has past child care experience and is organized. The director also works regularly with CCR&R, AEA, and the center nurse consultant.

Good child/staff dialogue was again observed and overheard during the visit.

The playground is large and very spacious.

The center has good community partnerships.

The program participates in IQ4K and has an IQ4K rating. IQ4K is based on best practice and is a voluntary program.

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

109.15(1): Center shall serve each child a full, nutritionally balanced meal as defined by CACFP guidelines.
On the monthly food menu, there were a few days were two proteins were being served. Although both credible food items on their own, if served together, another credible food item such as a fruit or vegetable or milk or juice should also be served.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Radon testing is due every two years and was last conducted 8/25/23 - 8/29/23. The classroom came back with a radon level below the 4.0 cutoff. Because the level was below 4.0, the center can move to testing for radon at least every five years now. So long as radon levels remain below 4.0, they can remain on a five year plan. If at the next testing, the level in the classroom comes back 4.0 or higher, the center will have to have a mitigation plan, retest, and at least temporarily move back to testing every two years.

The annual furnace inspection on file was from 10/20/23 so it is again coming due soon. There is a built in carbon monoxide detector.

For transportation/field trips, the center will walk to different agencies when able.

I-Power was discussed at the visit. Staff have I-Power profiles and are uploading their training certificates.

The bottom of the refrigerator should be wiped clean by the end of the week.

Staff should keep an eye on the under tarp of the wood chip area so that it doesn't become a tripping hazard.

*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.