

# FIRST FRIENDS

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Is the program a licensed daycare facility?**

First Friends is not a licensed facility. We are recognized by the state of Kansas as a Mom's Day Out Program, and are therefore, not required by the state to be licensed. At First Friends, we follow "Best Practices" for child care which align very close to the state. Our Director is also a member of ECDO (Early Childhood Directors Organization) which helps keep our leadership and staff up to date on state regulation changes and best practices.

### **How many children are in a classroom together?**

Our nursery classrooms have 2-3 teachers with 8-9 children. Our preschool classrooms have 2 teachers with 8-13 kids depending on ages of children.

### **Do you run background checks on your staff? If yes, how often?**

Yes! Every staff member must have a background check upon initial hiring, and then a new one every three years.

### **What security measures do you take for your facility?**

Main entry doors are unlocked for 20 minutes for drop off and then again for pick up. The rest of the day the main entry is locked and has a camera to allow church staff to remotely unlock the door for visitors. All other building entrances stay locked all day.

### **Are there cameras in the classroom?**

Yes, our nursery classrooms have cameras.

### **Will my child leave the facility at any time?**

Nope!

### **Are children required to be up-to-date on immunizations before attending?**

It is highly recommended, but not a requirement.

### **Do the children have access to electronic devices (is there screen time)?**

Nope

### **Do you provide any education or work on social skills?**

All classes receive Bible, Music, PE, and classroom instructional time. Teachers' lessons typically align with our Bible time curriculum or occasional weekly theme (example: Farm Week). Classes for oldest two groups include preschool and pre-k activities and lessons.