

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 childcare which align very close to the state. Our director holds a BSW and is currently an MSW student, with practical experience in early childhood intervention; she ensures staff stay up to date on childcare policies and best practices.

How many children are in a classroom together?

Our nursery classrooms have 2-3 teachers for every 8-9 children. In our preschool classrooms, there are 2 teachers for 9-19 children, depending on the ages of the kids.

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?

The main entry doors are unlocked for 20 minutes during drop-off and again during pick-up. Outside of these times, the main entry is locked and equipped with a camera, allowing church staff to remotely unlock the door for visitors. All other building entrances remain locked throughout the day.

Are there cameras in the classroom?

Yes, our nursery class rooms are equipped with cameras that serve as live monitors.

Will my child leave the facility at any time?

No!

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)?

No!

Do you provide any education or work on social skills?

All classes include Bible, Music, PE, playground, and classroom instructional time. Teachers' lessons are generally aligned with our Bible curriculum or a weekly theme, such as Farm Week. The two oldest classes also participate in preschool and pre-k activities and lessons.