



Mission Grant Report Form

Iowa District West

Grant recipients are asked to complete and submit the report form within one month of the completion of the effort or, if a continuing ministry, by January 31 of the following year in which the grant is received. Please submit any pictures, as well, that would help to share the story with other congregations to encourage them in their ministry.

1. Please provide a brief overview of the effort.

Little Lambs Preschool at Mount Olive Lutheran School added an extended day program to the existing 4/5 year old all day program. The wrap-around program allows families to drop children off before the school day starts and allows children to stay after school until parents are done working. The hours of care are 7:00am to 5:30pm. Our program is licensed through DHS, therefore we needed to add another classroom and more staff. Updates to the current classroom were: patched drywall, new paint on ceiling and walls, new carpet and tile, new plumbing into the classroom, sink and cabinet.

2. What goals were established for this effort; that is, what did you hope to accomplish?

Our goal was to increase the number of families with preschool aged children to be able to attend Little Lambs Preschool with extended hours.

3. Did you achieve your goals? If not, what do you think were some of the contributing factors?

Our goal of filling the 4/5 year old all day class was achieved, as this class is full! We have nine different children that would not be able to attend our program without the before and after care in place. Some of these families are single parents that have to work fulltime and others are families that have both parents working fulltime.

4. Is there anything you would do differently if you were to undertake this effort again?

Not at this time

5. What lessons were learned through this effort?

In order to reach out to others, it is important to understand their needs and being willing to make some changes to a program in order to fill that need.

6. What suggestions would you give to a congregation considering a similar effort?
Look at your community to see what type of needs are out there for preschool. Be flexible enough to meet the needs of each family.
7. Contact person
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