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

Name of Center: Magical Moments Learning Center **Enrollment:** 63 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51745

Street: 2323 W 63rd ST **City:** Davenport Iowa **Zip** 52806 **County:** Scott

Mailing Address: 2323 W 63rd ST, Davenport, IA, 52806

Director's Name: Lethia Wright **Phone Number:** 563-232-6119

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

Date(s) of Visit: 08-30-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 03-08-2022

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

Date Inspected: 02-18-2022

Comments : Does Comply.

LICENSE TYPE: X **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

Financial Type: X Profit Non-Profit NA

Accredition: Accredited NAEYC NSACA Other X NA

Program Serves: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 2 Years X Preschool-Age X School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	6	22	15	29	72
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:		
	FULL license from	
X	**PROVISIONAL** license from	07-01-2022 to 06-30-2024
	DENIAL of initial application	
	SUSPENSION of license	
	REVOCATION of license	

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 09-03-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

I arrived at Magical Moments Learning Center on 8/30/23 for an annual visit. The center is for profit. The center provides childcare for infants to school aged care. The center has 63 children enrolled. The center is open Monday-Friday from 6:30am to 5:30pm.

The center is located inside of a commercial building. The center has four classrooms, a computer lab, library area, kitchen, restrooms and storage. The center's fire inspection was completed on 2/18/2022.

The director is Lethia Wright. Lethia has her Child Development Associate's, Medical Assistance License and a Business Administration Certificate. She opened the center in 3/2022. She had been a home provider since 2017.

The center’s curriculum is teacher created.

The center takes walking field trips to nearby parks.

All program space was observed. The areas observed included: classroom safety/activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observations, field trip/transportation practices, and file/policies/notebook review.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The director has been a home provide since 2017. She opened a center in 3/2022.
-The center's website can be found at: https://magicalmomentslearningcenter.com/
-The center has bright murals in each classroom.
-The center director has established a working relationship with CCR&R.
-The center accepts Child Care Assistance.

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

109.9(1)b: All files contain: Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.
-Number not in compliance: 2
-Please take the time to review: http://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/providerportal/LicensedProviderDocuments.aspx

109.9(2): All files are updated at least annually and when a change occurs.
-Child files must be updated annually.

109.9(2)b: All files contain sufficient information and authorization to allow the center to secure emergency medical and dental services at any time child is in center’s care.
-Number not in compliance for medical: 1

-Number not in compliance for dental: 1

109.10(3)a: All medications shall be stored in original containers with physician or pharmacist directions. Labels should be intact and stored so they are inaccessible to children and public. Nonprescription medications shall be labeled with the child's name.
-It is imperative that emergency medications are accessible to staff; but not the children.

109.10(7): Staff hand washing: The center shall ensure staff demonstrate clean personal hygiene. Staff shall wash hands: Upon arrival at the center. Immediately before eating or participating in food service activity. After diapering a child. Before leaving the rest room either with a child or by themselves. Before and after administering nonemergency first aid if gloves are not worn. After handling animals or cleaning cages.
-Staff were not observed washing their hands when required. Staff also did not follow appropriate procedures for handwashing.
-Please review this information with all staff and post next to each handwashing station:
https://hhs.iowa.gov/sites/default/files/portals/1/userfiles/128/handwashing%20poster%202017.pdf

109.10(8): Children's hand washing: Center shall ensure staff assist children in personal hygiene. For each infant or child with a disability, a separate cloth for washing and one for rinsing may be used in place of running water. Children's hands shall be washed: Immediately before eating or participating in food service activity. After using the restroom or being diapered. After handling animals.
-Children were not observed washing hand appropriately. Staff must establish better routines to ensure the children's hands are washed immediately prior to food service.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-Paint/Plaster was observed peeling next to several windows. The director must review:
https://hhs.iowa.gov/Environmental-Health-Services/Childhood-Lead-Poisoning-Prevention/resources
-Please ensure that infant feeding/dishes/pacifiers are not stored in the same container as diapers/diaper creams/clothing.
-Carpets must be shampooed. There were five differed areas of spit up on the infant rug. The director must review cleaning procedures with staff. Floors, rugs, and carpeting that have been contaminated by body fluids should be cleaned by blotting to remove the fluid as quickly as possible, then disinfected by spot-cleaning with a detergent-disinfectant. Additional cleaning by shampooing or steam cleaning the contaminated surface may be necessary. Please reach out to your nurse consultant for additional guidance on cleaning contaminated floors, rugs, and carpeting.
-Staff must ensure that plastic bags, cleaning supplies, staff purses and electrical cords are inaccessible to children.
https://poisoncontrol.utah.edu/sites/g/files/zrelqx281/files/media/documents/2021/PursePoster.pdf
-Toys must be maintained in a clean fashion. Toys that cannot be cleaned and sanitized should not be used. Toys that children have placed in their mouths or that are otherwise contaminated by body secretion or excretion should be set aside until they are cleaned by hand with water and detergent, rinsed, sanitized, and air-dried or in a mechanical dishwasher. Machine washable cloth toys should be used by one individual at a time. These toys should be laundered before being used by another child. Indoor toys should not be shared between groups of infants or toddlers unless they are washed and sanitized before being moved from one group to the other. Toys with hard surfaces can be set aside for cleaning by putting them into a dish pan labeled "soiled toys." Having enough toys to rotate through cleaning makes this method of preferred cleaning possible.

109.11(3)d: Record of monthly inspections of outdoor recreation area and equipment shall be kept.
-Playground inspections not completed since 5/2023.

109.11(7)c: All centers: Annual inspection prior to heating season of all fuel-burning appliances to reduce risk of carbon monoxide poisoning and shall install one carbon monoxide detector on each floor that conforms to UL Standard 2034.
-Fuel burning appliance inspection has not been completed since 3/2022.

109.12(1): Program structure that uses developmentally appropriate practices and written program of activities planned to the developmental needs of children served. Program complements but does not duplicate school curriculum. Schedule of program is posted in a place visible to parents.
-Curriculums and daily schedules were not posted. Staff did not have established routines for the children.

109.12(1)b: Program provides for a balance of active and quiet, individual and group, indoor and outdoor, and staff-initiated and child-initiated activities.
-Televisions were on all day long. They were extremely loud.
-The director and staff are encouraged to review: https://bkc-od-media.vmhost.psu.edu/documents/TIPS1613.pdf
https://healthychildren.org/English/family-life/Media/Pages/Why-to-Avoid-TV-Before-Age-2.aspx
https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/all-around/Pages/how-noise-affects-your-child.aspx#:~:text=Environmental%20noise%20is%20less%20likely%20to%20cause%20hearing,harmful%20effects%20on%20children%27s%20learning%2C%20behavior%20and%20sleep.

109.12(2): Center shall have written policy on discipline of children which provides for positive guidance, with direction for resolving conflict and setting of limits.
-Staff were overheard yelling instead of using calm voices.
-A three year old child was forced to sit in a time out chair for 21 minutes. This worker intervened and shared that this is not appropriate.
-CCR&R can help provide some training on age appropriate discipline.

109.12(4): Play equipment, materials, and furniture meet the developmental, activity, and special needs of the children. Procedures are developed and implemented to maintain equipment and materials in a sanitary manner.
-The center needs to purchase additional toys for children to have a variety of age appropriate materials, books, puzzles, etc.
-The center must develop a cleaning schedule for all staff to follow.

109.15(2): Center shall follow minimum CACFP menu patterns for meals and snacks. Menus planned one week in advance, made available to parents, and kept on file with substitutions noted. Avoid foods with high incident rate of causing choking.
-The center was not going to give children milk for lunch. This is a requirement for CACFP.
-Materials were ordered and posted at the center explaining CACFP requirements. Director, cook and staff must review these.
-Choking hazards must be replaced with safer options.

109.15(5)a: Sufficient refrigeration is provided appropriate to perishable food.
-Thermometers not in the refrigerator or freezer.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The center is not performing at the minimum health and safety standards associated with childcare. Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center receive a provisional license effective 9/1/2023. The center is directed to submit a corrective action plan due by 9/16/2023. The owner, Lethia, gave me a verbal commitment that the noted rule violations would be promptly corrected. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

The following agencies are available to provide consultation, support, and educational opportunities:
CACFP: https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/nutrition-programs/child-and-adult-care-food-program
Child Care Resource and Referral: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/
Early Childhood Iowa: https://earlychildhood.iowa.gov/
First Children's Finance: https://www.firstchildrensfinance.org/
Healthy Child Care Nurse Consultants: https://idph.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants
Iowa AEYC: http://www.iowaaeyc.org/
Iowa After School Alliance: https://www.iowaafterschoolalliance.org/
Iowa State University: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/early-childhood
4c's of Johnson County: https://www.iowa4cs.com/

*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.