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

Name of Center: Toddler Town Childcare **Enrollment:** 54 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51335

Street: 2615 W. Central Park Ave **City:** Davenport Iowa **Zip** 52804 **County:** Scott

Mailing Address: 2615 W. Central Park Ave, Davenport, IA, 52804

Director's Name: Alexandria Garcia **Phone Number:** 563-888-1175

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** toddlertown20@gmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 01-10-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 01-05-2023

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

Date Inspected: 12-01-2020

Comments :

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 School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	25	17	36		78
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 03-01-2023 to 03-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Hungate **Date:** 02-27-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced licensing visit was completed at this center on 1/10/23. The center is for-profit, owned and operated by Alexandria Garcia. Alexandria "Allie" Garcia is the qualified center director. Allie has a bachelor's degree in elementary education, experience as a site coordinator at a non licensed after school program, and some office administrator experience. Allie accompanied the licensing consultant throughout the majority of the licensing visit. The center serves infants through five year old children (not school age). The center does not participate in the Iowa Voluntary Preschool Grant program.

At the time of the visit, the center included the following program rooms: Ocean room (Four/five year old children), dino room (three/four year old children and at the beginning of the day children age two and older combine here), city room (18 months through two year old children two year old room), and nursery (six week to 18 months old children). Program rooms are generally supplied with accessible materials to support program needs. All program rooms include adjacent restroom areas with one or two toilets and one or two hand washing sinks with the exception of the nursery. All program rooms, except for the four/five year old room, include a hand washing sink within the program room as well. The nursery includes a separate food/bottle preparation sink. The nursery and two year old rooms include a diapering station nearby to the hand washing sink within the program room. All program space was observed.

It is noted that subsequent the licensing visit, the center has split what was the city room into two separate rooms. One of the rooms (farthest back room) is now the one year old room, and the other room is the two year old room. The one year old room includes a diaper station and a hand washing sink within the room. The two year old room includes two adjacent restroom areas (one of these restroom areas was observed to be used for storage only), and a diaper station and hand washing sink within the room.

The center does not currently participate in the CACFP but states they are in the process of application. The center serves breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack. Meals and snacks are prepared on site in the center's small kitchen area. The center continues to employ a kitchen staff person. The kitchen continues to be highly organized.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The staff were once again observed to be engaged with the children in activities throughout the center. Program rooms generally offer plenty of space and are colorfully painted and are bright with windows. The children's arts and crafts and projects are on display throughout the center. Other required licensing documentation is organized.

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

STAFF FILES:
109.7(1): All staff(within first 3 months of employment)Two hours of approved training FOR the mandatory reporting of child abuse. At least one hour of training regarding universal precautions and infectious disease control. Certification in American Red Cross, American Heart Association, American Safety and Health institute or MEDIC First Aid infant, child,

and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) OR equivalent certification approved by the department. A valid certificate indicating the date of training and expiration date shall be maintained. Certification in infant, child, and adult first aid that uses a nationally recognized curriculum or is received from a nationally recognized training organization including the American Red Cross, American Heart Association, American Safety and Health Institute or MEDIC First Aid or an equivalent certification approved by the department. A valid certificate indicating the date of training and expiration date shall be maintained. Minimum health and safety trainings, approved by the Department. If significant changes occur to content, the Department may require the training be renewed.
1. _1_ staff file reviewed did not have universal precautions certification within the first three months of employment.
2. _1_ staff file reviewed did not have evidence of any training certificates (hire date 9/19/22).

CHILD FILES:
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.
1. _6_ files reviewed did not have dentist information as required.

***The center shall maintain a system for tracking staff and child file compliance and ensure files are organized with required documentation.

109.9(3): Signed and dated Iowa immunization certificates are on file for each child enrolled.
1. _2_ certificates were invalid.
2. _1_ expired provisional certificate is not valid.
*** Valid IDPH certificate (signed and dated by medical personnel) is required to be on file at the center before a child can attend the center.

109.10(3): Medications.
1. Several medications present without current completed medication authorizations as required.

109.10(9): First aid kit: The center shall ensure that a clearly labeled first aid kit that is sufficient to address minor injury or trauma is available and accessible to staff at all times when children are: In the center. In the outdoor play area. On field trips.
1. The center is reminded that staff shall take the first aid kit with them to the outdoor play area.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Sanitation and safety procedures for the center are developed and implemented to reduce risk or injury or harm to children and reduce transmission of disease.
1. Children's blankets observed on the floor or on a chair and hanging over cots in the ocean room. Bedding shall be stored in a sanitary location separate from other miscellaneous items/not set on random surfaces and cot bedding shall be maintained so children's items do not touch other children's cots/items.
2. Miscellaneous items that are considered choking hazards accessible to the children in the restroom area of the city room.
3. Ensure that tables are cleaned and sanitized following the proper procedures according to the manufacturer's instructions of the sanitizing product used and that chairs are in place prior to staff starting the hand washing process with the children. Ensure staff supervise children so that they follow the hand washing procedures as they are posted (ensure paper towel dispensers are kept stocked at all times). Children shall go directly to be seated at the table after washing hands and remain seated with hands clean or rewash hands if this is not accomplished. All staff shall work together and be engaged in the process in order to reduce the chaos. Consultation has been provided to the center in this area at both of the previous licensing visit. The center is encouraged to work with their CCRR consultant in this area.

109.12(5)b: Infants diapered in a sanitary manner as needed in central diapering area.
1. Review diaper changing procedures with staff as they are posted. Staff shall get out just the materials needed for the diaper change prior to starting (not the entire container of wipes, etc.), and staff shall remove gloves prior to putting on the clean diaper and re-dressing the child.
2. Do not re-use towels used to clean/rinse/disinfect the diaper station surface(s). Use single-use towels for each step of the process.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The administrative change aspect of this report processes the license capacity change due to the reconfiguration of the center. The room changes for the center (dividing the city room into two rooms) result in the following maximum capacities not to be exceeded for each room, including the new rooms:

Nursery = 13 children
One year old room (no cribs) = 12 children
Two year old room = 17 children

Three/four year old room (Dino) = 24 children
Four/five year old room (Ocean) = 12 children

1. Paper towels observed sitting next to hand washing sink in the city room and, thus, being contaminated by the hand washing activity. Ensure paper towels are stored at least 18 inches away from the hand washing sink surface or in a dispenser that keeps them otherwise removed from the sink itself.
2. Remove items stored on the diaper station(s). This area shall remain free of items so that nothing is contaminated and so that the area can be properly cleaned and disinfected.
3. Improve supervision of hand washing activities so that children follow the procedures as they are posted.
4. Hand washing procedure posting is needed at the hand washing sink in the nursery.
5. Some of the chairs and tables are too tall for the children as observed in the dino room. Children shall first be able to sit in the chair with their feet on the floor and the table then meeting the child at just above the waist area.
6. Diaper station in the dino room will need to be replaced in short order as the top is constructed of wood and can not be properly cleaned and disinfected.
7. Discussion again occurred regarding the layout of the city room. The room could be further enhanced by providing more of an activity centers arrangement with less open space for children to run. Other rooms could use additional development as well. This will continue to be important even as the center has divided up this room into two rooms. The center is encouraged to work with their CCRR consultant in this area.

The center will continue with a full license, however, attention is needed to remedy violations and concerns noted in order to avoid negative action on the license status. The center director has made improvements immediately subsequent the licensing visit, and it will be important to continue strong oversight and accountability for licensing compliance. The center is directed to correct the items cited and the items noted above in this section of the report and to submit a written summary to the licensing consultant as to how and when those corrections are/will be completed. The written summary shall be submitted within 30 days of receipt of this evaluation. Thank you.

*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.