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

Name of Center: Sprouts Early Learning Academy **Enrollment:** 74 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51564

Street: 125 School ST **City:** Carlisle Iowa **Zip** 50047 **County:** Warren

Mailing Address: PO BOX 417, Carlisle, IA, 50047

Director's Name: Paige Smothers **Phone Number:** 515-989-7913

On-Site Supervisor(s): Katie Klingensmith **E-Mail:** director@sproutsela.com

Date(s) of Visit: 04-09-2025

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 03-10-2025

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

Date Inspected: 08-13-2024

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*	*Summer Only*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	12	16	48		76
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 05-01-2025 to 05-01-2027
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 04-10-2025

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Sprouts Early Learning Center was given permission to open on 9/1/21. The center is located in a single standing building. The center has a secured entrance to the daycare section of the building. There is a spacious lobby that parents/guardians use to check in the children and the required postings are located. The daycare serves children ages two through five years. The owner and director is Paige Smothers. Paige taught preschool prior to opening this daycare center. Katie Klingensmith is the on site supervisor.

An unannounced visit was completed today. All areas subject to HHS licensing rules were reviewed. Mandatory posting are in place. Classrooms has schedules posted. Current lesson plans are posted and available for parents. The center has four program rooms. The classrooms are well furnished with age appropriate furnishings, learning and play materials. Interest centers are easily accessible to the children in their classrooms.

Paige assisted with today's visit. The Purple Room (infants) had seven children present. Two staff were working in this classroom. The Red Room (2's) had fourteen children present. Two staff were working in this classroom. The Rainbow Room (3/4's) had twenty children present. Two staff working with this group. The Green Room (4/5's) had sixteen children present. There were two staff working with this group. During today's visit, children were observed in their classrooms and on the playground. Children were observed playing in small groups and during some staff led activities. Staff were actively engaged with the children throughout the visit.

The center has a full kitchen. A cook prepares all meals on site. Breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack is served to majority of the children. Some preschool children have morning snack. The cook has taken the Safe Serve class. Menus were reviewed and showed compliance with CACFP requirements.

The center has a fenced in playground. There is a shading structure in place. The playground has turf surfacing, concrete and some blacktop areas.

The center doesn't provide transportation.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Paige has a lot of experience in the child development field. The classrooms are well supplied with age appropriate supplies

and toys. Administrative records are well maintained.

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

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 dental: 1

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The center has a full license.

*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.