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

Name of Center: Regina Early Childhood Center **Enrollment:** 44 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 52739

Street: 2140 Rochester Ave **City:** Iowa City Iowa **Zip** 52245 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 2140 Rochester Ave, Iowa City, IA, 52245

Director's Name: Kimberlee Klein **Phone Number:** 319-337-6189

On-Site Supervisor(s): Madeline Villhauer **E-Mail:** kimberlee.klein@regina.org

Date(s) of Visit: 05-01-2025

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:** 01-06-2025

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

Date Inspected: 04-16-2024

Comments : Does Comply.

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

Financial Type: Profit X Non-Profit NA

Accredition: Accredited NAEYC NSACA Other X NA

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

Get-Well Evening Care X 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			118		118
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: Heidi Brown **Date:** 06-20-2025

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at REGINA EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER - 52739 for an annual visit on 5/1/2025. The fire inspection was completed on 4/16/2024. The center is located inside of Regina Catholic Education Center. The center is nonprofit and overseen by a board of directors. The center has four classrooms, a large motor room, a STEM room and offices. The center is open from 7:30am to 5:30pm. They offer child care/preschool to preschool aged children. The current enrollment is 44.

The director is Kimberlee Klein. She started in 8/2024. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education & Elementary Education.

The on-site supervisor is Madeline Villhauer. She started in 8/2024. She has a Bachelor's English with an Emphasis in Education.

This worker observed all programming space in the center and outdoor area to ensure that the environment was safe, sanitary and hazard free.

The classrooms are clean, well organized and inviting to those who enter. The children have access to a wide variety of engaging and educational activities.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed including handwashing, medication management, appropriate cleaning/sanitizing/disinfecting, excluding ill children/staff, incident reports, and first aid kits.

Nutritional practices and food safety were observed. The center is on CACFP. The center offers morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack.

This worker reviewed required postings. This worker checked staff files and child files. The licensing notebook including emergency drills, first aid supplies, playground checklist, radon testing, HVAC testing and policies were reviewed.

The center does communicate with parents via: ProCare.

The center’s curriculum is teacher created utilizing the following curriculum: Creative Curriculum by Teaching Strategies, Second Step, and Story's of God's Love.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center has established working relationships with CCR&R.
-The center is working with their local Nurse Consultant.
-The center participates in TEACH and WAGES.
-They are working towards Iowa Quality for Kids.

-The center's website can be found at: https://regina.org/early-childhood

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

The center was in full compliance.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. It is important to note, all HHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period. As a director, on-site supervisor, or child care staff it is vital that you know and understand all licensing standards and procedures. The licensing regulation checklist can be found by visiting: https://iowaccrr.org/resources/files/BGP/71%20Licensing_Chklist_3940.pdf

This worker will conduct at least one unannounced visit each year. This worker encourages you to establish a working relationship with your local Child Care Resource Consultant (CCR&R) and your local Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC).

Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) provides professional development and consultation services that support the child care business's ability to achieve and maintain regulatory status in good standing and work to achieve and maintain performance at higher quality levels in Iowa's Quality Rating and Improvement. To find your center's CCR&R consultant visit: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/ Healthy Child Care Iowa is a statewide publicly funded program to improve the health and safety of children while they are enrolled in child care and early education settings.

Child care nurse consultants are registered nurses who provide consultation, training, and technical assistance on health and safety policies, health programs, health of personnel, and specific child health or safety issues. To find your center's CCNC consultant visit: https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programsand-services/child-care/hcci

*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.