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

Name of Center: Kids Business Of Dewitt **Enrollment:** 36 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 18587

Street: 1313 Maynard Way **City:** Dewitt Iowa **Zip** 52742 **County:** Clinton

Mailing Address: 1313 Maynard Way, Dewitt, IA, 52742

Director's Name: Tricia Ludorf **Phone Number:** 563-659-8461

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

Date(s) of Visit: 06-15-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

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

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

Date Inspected: 12-07-2020

Comments :

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: 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	17	11	34	13	75
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 2

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 07-01-2023 to 07-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Hungate **Date:** 06-28-2023

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 6/15/23. The center director, Tricia Ludorf, was present along with other staff. Tricia is qualified with an associates degree in preschool education and several years of work experience in child care centers. This center is a non-profit entity governed by a board of directors. The building is one level with an upstairs "attic" that is just used for storage. The center provides care to children infant through school age and does provide care before and after school and on non school days to school age children. The center does not participate in the Iowa Voluntary Preschool Grant program.

The center consists of the following program rooms: Infant Room (six weeks to approximately one year), One Year Old Room (approximately one year through 23 months), Two Year Old Room (two to three years), Three Year Old Room (three to four years), Ball/Multi-Purpose Room (this room is used for indoor large motor activities), Preschool Room (four and five years and school age care in the morning), and School Age Room. Program rooms are generally adequately stocked with materials to support program needs. Program rooms include hand washing sinks within the program room and adjacent restroom areas, in some cases shared between two rooms. Rooms with children in diapers include diaper stations within the program room. All program space was observed.

The center serves breakfast, morning snack, lunch, and afternoon snack. The center participates in the CACFP. Meals and snacks are now catered to the center from a local catering service with the exception of breakfast which is provided and prepared by the center. The kitchen continues to be clean and organized.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The building itself is generally well maintained, and is bright with many windows. The staff were observed to be positively engaged with the children throughout the center. The staff and director appear to work well together. Many projects and crafts created by the children are posted throughout the center. Progress continues to be noted with room enhancements/improvements to the arrangement and availability of materials and postings in the program rooms. The center has the required documentation for licensing and staff and child files are organized. The center has obtained a one star QRS rating through 3/2024.

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 the universal precautions completed within the first three months of employment as required.

109.9(1)e: All files contain documentation to indicate that ongoing staff training requirements are met, including current certifications in first aid/CPR and mandatory child abuse training.
1. _1_ staff file reviewed first aid and cpr certifications expired 10/2022.
2. _1_ staff file reviewed did not have evidence of any training hours completed since 2/2022.

109.10(3): Medications.
1. Expired medication observed in the threes room, and missing the medication authorization completed by the parent.
2. Medications present without current parent authorizations and medication authorization missing specific end date for the period of authorization in the nursery.

109.10(15)b: Emergency instructions, phone numbers, and diagrams for fire, tornado, and flood shall be visibly posted and documented at least once a month for fire and tornado. Records shall be maintained for current and previous year.
1. Fire and tornado drillls were not documented 4/2022 through current.

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. Ensure all food service items including scissors used for food preparation go through the dish washing process between uses and are stored sanitary.
2. Chemical product and Mr. Clean Sponge accessible to children in lower cabinet in the school age room.
3. Remove taped items from table in the twos room so the surface can be properly cleaned and sanitized for food service activities. This was noted previously.
4. Nursery did not have a sanitizing solution available so food preparation activities were not being completed properly.

109.11(3)d: Record of monthly inspections of outdoor recreation area and equipment shall be kept.
1. Playground inspections were not documented 5/2022 through current.

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.
1. No activity planning present for the nursery.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Radon testing received 8/15/23, report can be completed. Please be sure this is completed timely in the future to avoid unnecessary violation.

1. Ensure a menu is posted where it is highly visible to parents throughout the center.
2. Ensure at least two feet of space between cots during rest time.
3. Update posted schedules to reflect center's current hours of operation and routine.
4. Label diaper waste can in the twos room restroom area and in the nursery for this material only.
5. Ensure all open food items throughout the center (staff or otherwise, refrigerator/freezer and non refrigerated) are always stored in a sealed container or ziploc and are dated. This has been noted previously.
6. Improve storage of food service items in the threes room so that these items are not stored on open shelving under other items.
7. Restroom vent fan needs to be repaired/replaced in the threes restroom area.
8. Broken landscape timber edging in the outdoor play area needs to be replaced.

The center will continue with a full license. 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.