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

Name of Center: Kids Company Of Clive **Enrollment:** 88 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 28309

Street: 1306 NW 138th St **City:** Clive Iowa **Zip** 50325 **County:** Polk

Mailing Address: 1306 NW 138th St, Clive, IA, 50325

Director's Name: Trudy A. Johnson **Phone Number:** 515-223-0204

On-Site Supervisor(s): Emily Clayton **E-Mail:** eclayton74@yahoo.com

Date(s) of Visit: 11-04-2022

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 10-11-2021

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

Date Inspected: 10-13-2022

Comments : Clive Fire Marshal.

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	0	37	87	0	124
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 12-01-2021 to 12-01-2023
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Nate Knepper **Date:** 11-05-2022

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

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An off-year visit was conducted on 11/4/22. On-site supervisor, Emily Clayton, was present throughout this visit. The other on-site supervisor, Amanda Holdmeyer, was also present for portions of this visit. Emily and Amanda are also owners of this center along with their mother, Trudy Johnson.

All areas of the program were observed with the exception of the playground which could only be partially observed because of the weather. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, ratios, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review. The most recent COVID updates were also reviewed.

Kids Company of Clive is family owned and operated. Trudy Johnson is the director and owner of the center. Trudy's daughter, Emily Clayton, is the primary on-site supervisor at this location. Trudy also owns and operates Kids Company of Waukee. Trudy's other daughter, Amanda Holdmeyer, is the primary on-site supervisor at that center. However, Trudy, Emily, and Amanda all assist in running both centers. This center cares for children that are two years of age through preschool age (five years old) throughout the school year. In the summer months, school-age children are also present. The center uses their own learning curriculum based off of other learning curriculums.

There are a total of nine classrooms. The two two-year-old classrooms rotate between each others' rooms and the seven preschool classrooms also rotate between rooms as there is a different theme/curriculum for each classroom.

During the visit, children were observed washing their hands before eating lunch, sitting at the child-size tables and chairs eating lunch, large motor activities, and also sitting down for a large group reading activity facilitated by staff.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Classroom monthly newsletters are sent out to parents.

There is a Kids Company on the Go Face Book section strictly for staff to communicate with one another through in regards to upcoming events, schedules, etc. There is also a Kids Company Connect Face Book page strictly for parents to communicate with each other.

The center has a staff recognition program in place to recognize individual staff members for good work. Management holds special events for their staff throughout the year. Management also provides bonuses and gifts to their staff throughout the year.

The center has a good working relationship with other community agencies as they participate in food drives, visit elderly residential facilities, participate in Adopt a Family for the holidays, etc.

A security camera system is in place. There is a secure entrance into the center.

Good child-staff interactions were observed in all classrooms.

Enrollment is steady.

Kids Company as a whole, just celebrated their 37 anniversary.

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

109.10(3)c: For ongoing, long term medications, authorization shall be obtained for a period not to exceed the duration of prescription.
There was one Benadryl medication that was expired.

109.12(5)b: Infants diapered in a sanitary manner as needed in central diapering area.
The diaper table area should be kept clear of items other than what is used for diapering.

109.15(1): Center shall serve each child a full, nutritionally balanced meal as defined by CACFP guidelines.
Parents now provide their child's own lunch at the center. However, not all five food components were being met when looking at children's plates. The center provides one percent or skim milk for lunches. All lunches need to also contain a protein, vegetable, fruit (or two vegetables), and grain.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Radon testing is due every two years and was last tested 6/23/21 - 6/25/21. All classrooms came back with radon levels below the 4.0 cutoff with the exception of two classrooms didn't have levels listed.

The annual furnace inspection was completed on 10/6/22

The center normally contacts with the school district for field trips and transportation needs.

The CACFP smart phone app was again discussed at the visit. It is recommended management shares this smart phone app with parents.

I-Power and IQ4K were discussed at the visit.

Homemade diaper creams are discouraged. If parents bring these in, they need to have a list of ingredients also included.

*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.