

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 09-01-2018 to 09-01-2020
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCACTION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown

Date: 11-07-2019

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced visit was completed on 10/30/19. All programming space was observed. The center was in ratio.

The center's approved fire inspection was completed on 8/30/19.

The director is NaRhea Salzbrenner. NaRhea has a Bachelor's Degree in Education. She also has a valid Teachers License. NaRhea opened the center in 2016.

The on-site supervisor is Casey Smith. Casey has an Associate's Degree. Casey started in 2016.

The center provides child care for 62 approximately children.

The center is located in a commercial building.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

- The center purchased a new building in 2019 to meet the needs of additional children and families.
- The center has been selected for Locals Love Us in 2019 and 2020.
- The center participates in the Quality Rating Scale Program.
- The center has partnered with First Children's Finance to develop a business plan and earn grants to improve the center.
- Child files were in full compliance.
- The center is on the CACFP Program.
- Each room is nicely decorated with a theme. They are clean and have a wide variety of age appropriate materials.
- The center director and onsite supervisor have done a great job of maintaining staff.
- The center is developing plans to build a playground for children under the age of two years and a playground for children preschool-school age.

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

109.9(1)d: All files contain a pre-employment physical exam report completed within six months prior to hire and at least every three years. Physical exams shall be documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report.

-Number not in compliance: 1

109.10(3)c: For ongoing, long term medications, authorization shall be obtained for a period not to exceed the duration of prescription.

-Expired medication must be returned to the parents for appropriate disposal.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.

-Ensure closets and the kitchen are locked to ensure that the children do not have access to cleaning supplies, tools or choking hazards.

-Ensure that choking hazards are not accessible to the children. Choking hazards were found in the Toddler Room and Infant B Room.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. The center is directed to correct the items listed in Section IV. The director gave me a verbal commitment that the noted rule violations would be promptly corrected. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

I encourage you to contact your local nurse consultant. Child Care Nurse Consultants work with child care and early education businesses. Businesses may call or send questions to a child care nurse consultant about health and safety policies, health programs, health of personnel, and specific child health or safety issues. Please visit the following website to find out who your consultant is: <http://idph.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants>

I encourage you to contact Child Care Resource and Referral. They offer centers assistance with meeting the DHS regulations, QRS, infant/toddler concerns, room arrangement and environment, developmental concerns, Best Practice information, CDA assistance, or any questions or concerns you may have. Please visit the following website to find out who your consultant is: http://www.iowaccrr.org/who_we_are/region_5/

*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.