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

Name of Center: Denison I & II Head Start Centers **Enrollment:** 27 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 33081

Street: 1826 3rd Ave South **City:** Denison Iowa **Zip** 51442 **County:** Crawford

Mailing Address: PO Box 709, Harlan, IA, 51537

Director's Name: Danielle Segebart **Phone Number:** 712-263-7105

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** DSegebart@westcca.org
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Date(s) of Visit: 04-29-2025

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

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

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

Date Inspected: 03-15-2024

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 X NAEYC NSACA Other NA

Program Serves: Infants (0-23 mo.) 2 Years X Preschool-Age School-Age
Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: Year-round X School-Year Summer Only

HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General			40		40
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 02-01-2024 to 02-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans **Date:** 05-12-2025

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced off year licensing visit was made to Denison I & II Head Start Centers on 4-29-2025. The center is located in the Children's Imagination Station Child Care Center. 27 children are enrolled.
The staff are room I Veronica, room 2 Elizabeth and Gretchen.

Observation of room:
The program rooms were in ratio, the children were participating in a variety of activities i.e. activity with Gretchen, playing in activity centers, children writing their names etc. The teachers prepare the lesson plans/activities. The rooms look great and have fun activity centers. There is a fun variety of age and developmentally appropriate toys and equipment. Toys and equipment are rotated on a regular basis. The study for both rooms was gardening.
Staff in Veronica's room have received re training on supervision, counting children at transitions and face to name recognition. Please work with the child care nurse consultant on different options for diaper changing/pull-ups changes as a mat on the floor was being used and this isn't the best option for health and safety, and keeping the area sanitary.

Health and safety:
Fire and tornado drills are practiced and documented on a monthly basis.
Radon testing was done in May 2023 and the test scores were 1.5 pCi/L and 1.4 pCi/L. Please refer to your DHHS rules for information on radon as the rules have been updated and the frequency of testing requirements may have changed for your center.
The building has all electric appliances.

Nutrition:
The meals are provided by Company Kitchen/Treat America.

Playground:
Monthly playground safety inspections are completed.

Administrative records:
The children's emergency contact information was reviewed and was in good order.
Staff files were read at the administrative office in Harlan, Iowa and were in good order.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Staff had excellent interactions with the children, they were positive and attentive to the needs of the children.

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

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for Denison I & II Head Start for 2-1-2024 to 2-1-2026.
Off year licensing visit 4-29-2025.

*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.