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

Name of Center: Beyond The Bell-Sunnyside **Enrollment:** 30 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 30193

Street: 2700 S Maple St **City:** Sioux City Iowa **Zip** 51106 **County:** Woodbury

Mailing Address: PO Box 2129, Sioux City, IA, 51104

Director's Name: Jenna Andrews **Phone Number:** 712-277-3600

On-Site Supervisor(s): Veronica Ramirez **E-Mail:** jandrews@siouxlandship.org kgotch@siouxlandship.org

Date(s) of Visit: 10-30-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 10-26-2022

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

Date Inspected: 08-10-2022

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: Infants (0-23 mo.) 2 Years Preschool-Age X 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				50	50
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 11-01-2022 to 11-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Jana Drew **Date:** 11-09-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Visited center on 10-30-23 and spoke with new lead worker Kea Morton. Veronica Ramirez is the onsite supervisor and was not present. Ms Ramirez has worked with the Beyond the Bell program for the last five years. Veronica Ramirez supervises a couple of the after school program.

With the 2023/2024 school year, Beyond the Bell Sunnyside is only an after school program located in the gymnasium of Sunnyside elementary school. The program is sharing students with the Nodland Elementary School who provides the morning program and then children are bused to Sunnyside school for the afternoon program due to staffing issues. The program utilizes the gym/lunch room. It operates Monday 2:30 to 6:00pm and Tuesday-Friday 3:30 to 6:00pm. The program is administered by the Beyond the Bell organization. The program serves school age children TK to 5th grades. There is a buzzer outside the building to get into the school and the Beyond the Bell program. Staff meet people at the door to gain access to the program.

There are 30 children enrolled in the program. At the time of the visit 24 children were present. All areas of the program were observed. The areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review. The center continues in following all guidelines put forth by DHS regarding the corona-virus and doing everything they can to support their families. The center continue in cleaning their toys. Children have access to bathrooms. Daily schedule of activities was posted. Sufficient amount of equipment and toys for the children. Staff files will be reviewed at the program central office at a later date and any issues identified will be addressed at that time. A random selection of child files found each reviewed file contained all required forms and contact information. It is recommended for the children to keep their bags and coats separate from each other(a couple of feet) to avoid any cross contamination. The program started using the Playground Application for their administration duties.

Breakfast is provided through the Sioux City School system as well as the snacks for the children after school. Good food storage practices were observed. The center follows the CACFP guidelines for nutrition.

Center currently does not administer any medication. First aid kit is sufficient to treat minor injuries. Fire/tornado drills need to be completed and documented. Good sanitary procedures are followed. Program areas appear well maintained and free of any observable health or safety hazards.

The program has access to the school playground or they use the gym. The playground has wood chips for cushioning and has shade. They have climbing equipment and slides in the playground area. Monthly playground inspection need to be completed.

Goals of the program are to continue to get new activities/toys for the kids; trainings for staff on behaviors, and resources for staff.

Strengths of the program is that staff have a good relationship with the families/children they serve. Program is positive

with kids.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Staff encourage the children to do their homework before their parents arrive.

Display children's art work in the room.

Center communicates with parents thru the remind app to keep parents aware of what is going on in the program.

Staff had very positive interaction with the children.

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

109.10(1)b
School-age (for children five years and older and enrolled in school): Annual statement of health status signed by parent is submitted prior to admission, certifies that the child is free of communicable disease, and lists allergies, medications and acute/chronic conditions.
Number not in compliance 1

109.11(3)d: Record of monthly inspections of outdoor recreation area and equipment shall be kept.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Center needs to email consultant by 12-03-23 confirming that those aspects which fall below standards have been corrected.

A full license is recommended at this time.

At least one visit will be made to the center during the next year.

*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.