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

Name of Center: Toddler Town Childcare **Enrollment:** 66 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51335

Street: 2615 W. Central Park Ave **City:** Davenport Iowa **Zip** 52804 **County:** Scott

Mailing Address: 2615 W. Central Park Ave, Davenport, IA, 52804

Director's Name: Alexandria "Allie" Garcia **Phone Number:** 563-888-1175

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** toddlertown20@gmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 07-24-2024

Licensing Visit X **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:** 01-05-2023

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

Date Inspected: 12-14-2023

Comments : Does Comply.

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	25	17	30	6	78
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 03-01-2023 to 03-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 07-25-2024

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at Toddler Town for an annual visit on 7/24/2024. The center provides childcare for infant to school aged children. They are open from 6:30am to 5:30pm. They have 66 children enrolled. The center is located inside of a commercial building.

The center is for profit. The center's fire inspection was completed on 12/14/2023.

All program space was observed on the date of my visit. The center uses five classrooms, a kitchen, restrooms and storage areas.

The director is Alexandria "Allie" Garcia. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. Allie opened the center in 2/2021.

Nutritional practices were checked. The center provides breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. The kitchen was maintained in a clean/orderly fashion. The center is on the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed. The center followed handwashing procedures. The center stored medications appropriately. The center had a fully stocked first aid kit. The center had completed radon testing as required. HVAC testing was completed as required and the center has a carbon monoxide detector.

The center's curriculum is teacher created.

The center's policies, licensing notebook, staff files and child files were reviewed. The center had all required postings. The center communicates with parents via: Brightwheel.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center is using Brightwheel.
-The center is open to recommendations from HHS.
-The center accepts Child Care Assistance.
-The center is on the Child and Adult Care Food Program.
-Child files, staff files and the licensing notebook were in full compliance.

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

109.10(15)d: Daily checks to ensure all exits are unobstructed.
-Two exits were blocked. It is imperative that exits always be unobstructed.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-Choking hazards were accessible. Objects should not be small enough to fit entirely into a child's mouth. According to the federal government's small parts standard on a safe-size toy for children under three years of age, a small part should be at least one and one-quarter inches in diameter and between one inch and two and one-quarter inches long; any part smaller than this has a potential choking hazard. Please review the following: https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/injuries-emergencies/Pages/Choking-Prevention.aspx and https://www.kaplanco.com/product/80072/choke-tube-tester-set-set-of-3
-Furniture/Televisions must be secured to the wall to prevent tipping. Please review the following: https://www.anchorit.gov/
-Plastic bags, whether intended for storage, trash, diaper disposal, or any other purpose, should be stored out of reach of children. RATIONALE Plastic bags have been recognized for many years as a cause of suffocation. Warnings regarding this risk are printed on diaper-pail bags, dry-cleaning bags, and so forth.
-Staff backpacks/purses were accessible to the children. Please review the following: https://poisoncontrol.utah.edu/sites/g/files/zrelqx281/files/media/documents/2021/PursePoster.pdf

109.12(5)e: The provider shall follow safe sleep practices recommended by AAP for infants under one year of age: Infants shall be placed on a firm mattress with a tight fitted sheet that meets Consumer Product Safety Commission federal standards. Sleeping infants shall be actively observed by sight and sound.
-Crib sheets were not tight fitting. The local nurse consultant was contacted, and she will be dropping some off.
-Safe sleep materials were ordered for the center by this HHS worker.
-The classroom was arranged in a way where staff could not always see the sleeping infants. The classroom must be rearranged to ensure that blind spots do not occur.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

The following agencies are available to provide consultation, support, and educational opportunities:
CACFP: https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/nutrition-programs/child-and-adult-care-food-program
Child Care Resource and Referral: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/
Early Childhood Iowa: https://earlychildhood.iowa.gov/
First Children's Finance: https://www.firstchildrensfinance.org/
Healthy Child Care Nurse Consultants: https://hhs.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants
Iowa AEYC: http://www.iowaaeyc.org/
Iowa After School Alliance: https://www.iowaafterschoolalliance.org/
Iowa State University: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/early-childhood

*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.