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

Name of Center: Grandma's House School Age Program **Enrollment:** 21 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51351

Street: 910 S. 15th St **City:** Clarinda Iowa **Zip** 51632 **County:** Page

Mailing Address: 1335 E Washington St, Clarinda, IA, 51632

Director's Name: Bobbi Whitehill **Phone Number:** 712-542-5502

On-Site Supervisor(s): Esmeralda Garcia **E-Mail:** bobbiw@ghdc-clarinda.org

Date(s) of Visit: 04-07-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 02-10-2021

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

Date Inspected: 12-04-2020

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: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General				22	22
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 2

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 02-01-2023 to 02-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans **Date:** 04-13-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced licensing visit was made to Grandma's House School Age Program on 4-7-2023. The center is located in the Garfield Elementary School, the program opened on 2-24-2022. Bobbi Whitehill is the director and she is also the director of Grandma's House Day Care in Clarinda. Esmeralda Garcia is the on-site supervisor. The school age program was previously at Grandma's House Day Care. Before and after school care is provided and full day care on in service days and during the summer.
There are 21 children enrolled. I met with Esmeralda Garcia and Bobbi Whitehill during my visit.

Observation of room:
One classroom is used for the program, the gym and the playground are also utilized. There are two restrooms in the room with one toilet and one sink in each restroom. There are additional restrooms located in the hallway. Eleven children and two staff were present during my visit. The children were having fun making an Easter craft. Staff were positive and attentive to the needs of the children. The center has a great variety of age and developmentally appropriate toys and equipment that is rotated frequently.
A daily schedule is posted, the supervisor develops the lesson plans/activities.
The center has all of the required postings; mandatory reporter requirements, Notice of availability of handbook, contact information regarding consultant included in notice or in a separate posting, emergency postings for fire, tornado, and flood (if susceptible) by all program exits include emergency instructions, phone numbers, and diagrams.

Nutrition:
A daily snack is provided. Grandma's House Day Care provides lunch when the children are present all day. The menus are posted. Make sure you follow the CACFP food guidelines even if you aren't on the federal food program.
They have a refrigerator.

Health and Safety:
Monthly fire/tornado drills were practiced and documented.
Radon testing was completed in January 2023 with a radon test result of 0.9 pCi/L.
You will need to get the annual fuel burning inspection/boiler inspection from the school, the copy of the boiler inspection you had was expired.
Oxivir Tb is used for sanitizing. The school janitor also cleans the room at the end of each day.

Playground:
The school playground is used. Monthly playground inspections are done.

Transportation:
The center doesn't provide daily transportation services.

Administrative records:
Child files were read and were in excellent order.

Staff files are maintained at Grandma's House Day Care, they were read on 4-7-2023 and were in excellent order.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Grandma's House School Age Program is a wonderful resource for the community.
The center participates in the Quality Rating System (QRS), they are a level 2. They will apply for the IQ4K program.
Staff had excellent interactions with the children.
The Brightwheel child care app is used.

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

109.11(7)c: All centers: Annual inspection prior to heating season of all fuel-burning appliances to reduce risk of carbon monoxide poisoning and shall install one carbon monoxide detector on each floor that conforms to UL Standard 2034.
You will need to get the annual fuel burning inspection/boiler inspection from the school, the copy of the boiler inspection you had was expired.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for 2-1-2023 to 2-1-2025.

You will need an approved fire marshal inspection by 12-4-2023.

*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.