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

Name of Center: Diamond Trail Children's Center **Enrollment:** 84 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 16303

Street: 301 East St **City:** Lynnville Iowa **Zip** 50153 **County:** Jasper

Mailing Address: PO Box 146, Lynnville, IA, 50153

Director's Name: Brenda Denmark **Phone Number:** 641-527-2200

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** diamondtrail@netins.net

Date(s) of Visit: 04-17-2023

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:** 01-03-2022

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

Date Inspected: 08-17-2021

Comments : 9/3/21 - date of compliance

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: 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	17		21	32	70
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 03-01-2022 to 03-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 04-28-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Diamond Trail Children's Center has been in operation since September 2005. This center provides child care for children ranging from infancy to school age children. The center occupies the majority of a single standing building. The center has one classroom that is used by the public school for the Universal PreK program. Brenda Denmark is the director. Brenda has been employed at the daycare since 2014. Brenda has been the director since August 2013.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to HHS licensing rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place at the entrance. Schedules are posted by classrooms entrances. Older children's classrooms had lesson plans posted. Classrooms have age appropriate furnishings, toys and supplies. Children's artwork is displayed on walls.

Brenda was present and she assisted with today's visit. The infant classroom had eight infants present. Two staff were working in the infant classroom. The toddler classroom had four children present. One staff was working in this room. The Two's class and the Big Tykes (3 - 5's) were combined during the majority of the visit. There were seven children who were two years old, eleven children who were four years old and one child who was five. Five staff were working with this group. There weren't any school age children present during the visit. Children were observed during lunch time, during child directed play activities, on the playground and during rest time. Children were coloring at tables and doing other table activities. Young children were on the floor playing playing and also being fed. Interactions between staff and the children appeared to be positive throughout the visit.

The center participates in CACFP. The center serves breakfast, morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack. Lunch served today was tator tot casserole, green beans, peaches, bread and milk.

The center has some fencing around majority of the playground. Surfacing wasn't sufficient today as there wasn't enough depth in some areas that was required. Brenda said wood mulch has been ordered and she will make sure the existing mulch will be raked. The center has completed monthly playground checks.

The center doesn't take off site field trips.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center participates in QRS. Mitzi recently turned in the required paperwork and anticipates the center having a four star rating. Mitzi has worked closely with CCR&R since becoming director. Mitzi has several years of working with children prior to becoming director at the center.

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

109.7(1): All staff(within first 3 months of employment)Two hours of approved training FOR the mandatory reporting of

child abuse.At least one hour of training regarding universal precautions and infectious disease control.Certification in American Red Cross, American Heart Association, American Safety and Health institute or MEDIC First Aid infant, child, and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) OR equivalent certification approved by the department. A valid certificate indicating the date of training and expiration date shall be maintained.Certification in infant, child, and adult first aid that uses a nationally recognized curriculum or is received from a nationally recognized training organization including the American Red Cross,American Heart Association, American Safety and Health Institute or MEDIC First Aid or an equivalent certification approved by the department.A valid certificate indicating the date of training and expiration date shall be maintained.Minimum health and safety trainings, approved by the Department. If significant changes occur to content, the Department may require the training be renewed.
One staff hasn't completed Essentials training.

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.
Two staff files need physicals.

109.10(1)a: Preschool (for children five years and younger not enrolled in school): Physical exam report submitted within 30 days of admission, was obtained no more than 12 months prior to admission, is signed by a licensed MD, DO, PA, Chiropractor or ARNP, and contains health history; present health status including allergies, medications, and acute/chronic conditions; and recommendations for continued care if necessary.
Brenda will be going through children's physicals to ensure all files have current physicals.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Adequate indoor and outdoor space is provided. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade.
The playground doesn't have adequate surfacing material.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The center has a full license.

Brenda has had the center's CCR&R consultant come to the center to assist her with administrative organization.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 515-362-7823; email mlarson@dhs.state.ia.us) so that we may discuss the issue. If necessary, I can make a notation in your record. You may also send a letter that will be included in your licensing file noting any disagreement you may have with this report. If you have the need for any additional information discussed during my visit, please contact me and I will forward the information to you. Thank you.

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