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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Tayo Childcare

Provider No.: 52789

Address: 1407 21st St, Des Moines, IA, 50311

County: Polk

Director's Name: Abdi Abdinasar

On-Site Supervisor: Gaylena White-Young

Phone Number: 5155257055

E-Mail: tayochildcare21@gmail.com

HHS Visit Date: 12/12/2025

Licensing Period: 08/11/2025 to 09/01/2027

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 06/11/2025

Comments:

Report Visit Type:

- [ ] PTO
- [X] Licensing Visit
- [ ] Drop In
- [ ] Administrative Change

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [X] Year-Round
- [ ] School Year
- [ ] Summer Only

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HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*
Sunday	6:30 AM to 8:00 PM		
Monday	6:30 AM to 8:00 PM		
Tuesday	6:30 AM to 8:00 PM		
Wednesday	6:30 AM to 8:00 PM		
Thursday	6:30 AM to 8:00 PM		
Friday	6:30 AM to 8:00 PM		
Saturday	6:30 AM to 8:00 PM		

Program Population Served:

- [X] Infant(0-<24 Months)
- [X] Toddler
- [X] PreSchool
- [X] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General	21	9	9	12	51
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

Tayo Childcare is located in a building with a secured entrance. Tayo Childcare was given permission to open in August 2025. The center provides child care for children ages infancy through school age. The center has five classrooms. The director and owner is Abdi Abdinasar. Abdi has previous experience in the child care field prior to opening this center. Gaylena White-Young is serving as on site supervisor.

An initial visit was completed on 7/8/25. An unannounced visit was completed on 12/12/25. All areas of to HHS licensing rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings were in place at the center's entrance except for HHS Consultant Posting. Each classroom had lesson plans and schedules posted by classroom entrances. Children's art work is displayed in classrooms. All classrooms are appropriately furnished with age appropriate furnishings and toys. Rooms are organized.

The director, assistant director and another staff assisted with today's visit. There are currently four classrooms being used. There were three infants in the Precious Paws (infants) room. One staff was working in this room. In the Busy Bees (2's), there were two children present. One staff was working in this class. There were four children in the Bubble Guppies (3/4's). One staff was working with this group. There weren't any children in the school age class during the visit. Staff were sitting on the floor with young children. Staff were actively engaged with children during the visit. Children were singing songs with staff, staff were reading book to the children.

The center doesn't have a kitchen they are using at this time. The center serves breakfast, morning and afternoon snack. The center has lunch catered from an approved catering business. Menus and food being served was reviewed. Menus reflect CACFP guidelines are being followed. Food storage is sufficient to prevent spoilage.

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The center has one playground that has fencing. The center is aware of the requirement of monthly playground checks.

The center doesn't provide transportation at this time.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

Owner has several years experience in childcare prior to opening this center.
The center has worked closely with CCR&R consultant since planning on opening the center.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

Name and contact information for HHS consultant wasn't posted day of the visit.
This worker sent another HHS consultant posting with required information

Staff files were missing form stating they were informed of responsibilities as mandatory reporters
This worker sent required form for staff to sign

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

NA

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

The center has a full license.

6. ADDENDUMS:

- Addendum1: 1/9/2025 @ 12:40 Todd Savage, Childcare Licensing Bureau Chief, conducted an unannounced drop in visit. Lead Teacher Bran-Dajah Johnson, led a tour of the facility and was candid and transparent in her responses associated with licensing standards. During the tour, she introduced me to staff members, Chanta, Regina and Khamis. On this date, 11 children were present with these 4 staff, which was exceedingly compliant. Just two rooms were being used at the time and the children were involved with free play after lunch. The Precious Paws Room had 5 children and the Busy Bees was combined with the Bubble Guppies and had 6 children. The age range were infants to 3 year olds. School aged children were expected to arrive later in the day.

  The rooms were well decorated, bright and cheerful. Staff were seen interacting with the children playfully.

  I provided another copy of Melinda (licensing consultant) contact information to be posted on the parent board. We also moved the licensing certificate and the mandatory reporter parent announcement to a bulletin board more accessible to parents. I also provided Bran-Dajah a link to the licensing resources and encouraged her to share this with all staff.

This Addendum is approved by supervisor on 1/13/2026 11:34:51 AM

Date: 12/23/2025

HHS Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant

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Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Care License. Please take steps necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above.

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at **https://iowaccrr.org**.