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

Name of Center: Kids and Company Early Learning Center **Enrollment:** 35 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 52283

Street: 620 N 8th ST **City:** Council Bluffs Iowa **Zip** 51501 **County:** Pottawattamie

Mailing Address: 300 W Broadway STE 212, Council Bluffs, IA, 51503

Director's Name: Molly Stogdill **Phone Number:** 712-396-2354

On-Site Supervisor(s): Allison Snipes **E-Mail:** mstogdill@cbsf.org

Date(s) of Visit: 09-25-2023

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:** 08-04-2023

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

Date Inspected: 08-16-2023

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 X Preschool-Age 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			40		40
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 08-01-2023 to 08-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans **Date:** 10-11-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Kids and Company Early Learning Center is in a beautiful new building with Anne E. Nelson Early Learning Center. Kids and Company opened on 8-28-2023. The center is located in a one story building in a residential neighborhood. Before and after school child care services are provided to preschool age children - Monday through Friday. Monday's are early outs. The center operates according to the school calendar schedule. When school is closed for in service days, holiday breaks and during the summer the preschool children have the option to attend another Kids and Company site. There are 35 children enrolled.
Molly Stogdill is the director and Allison Snipes is the on-site supervisor. I met with Allison Snipes during my licensing visit.

Observation of room:
An un announced licensing visit was made on 9-25-2023. Two previous visits were made on 8-9-2023 and 8-16-2023. The center was given permission to open on 8-28-2023. Allison Snipes was very helpful during my licensing visit.
The program has a a very nice large room. Fun activity centers are rotated daily. When the child care center uses the Kids and Company room for meetings the program is held in the large motor room. A preschool room is also periodically used. The restrooms in the preschool room are used. Programming was held in the large motor room during my visit on 9-25-2023. The large motor room has many age and developmentally appropriate activities i.e. slide, rock wall, stage area, large soft blocks, tricycle riding track around the large tree in the middle of the room. The room also has beautiful murals on the walls with trees and clouds. There were twenty six children and five staff present during my licensing visit. The children were having fun playing. Staff had excellent interactions with the children, they were positive and attentive to the needs of the children.

Nutrition:
Meal are provided by the Council Bluffs Schools. Menus are posted. The center will apply for the federal food program. The center follows the CACFP food guidelines. Food allergies are posted.

Health and safety:
Medication management procedures are followed when a child is prescribed medication. One child is prescribed medication.
Fire/tornado drills are practiced and documented monthly.
The building has all electric appliances.
Purell Surface is being used for sanitizing, the three step sanitizing procedure is followed 1. Soap/water for cleaning 2. Water for rinsing and 3. Your EPA and child care approved sanitizing product - Purell Surface.

Playground:
The center has a beautiful playground with many fun features. Monthly playground safety inspections are being completed.

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

Administrative records:
Child files were read and were in good order.
Staff files were read at the administrative office on a previous date.
Kids and Company provides ongoing training to the staff.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

This is a beautiful new center that opened on 8-28-2023. It is a wonderful resource for the community.
Molly Stogdill is the director and Allison Snipes is the on-site supervisor. Staff are very excited about the new center. Staff had excellent interactions with the children, they were positive and having fun with the children.

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

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for 8-1-2023 to 8-1-2025.

*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.