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

Name of Center: Jackson Elementary Stepping Stones **Enrollment:** 15 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 20812

Street: 1307 Wisconsin AVE **City:** Davenport Iowa **Zip** 52804 **County:** Scott

Mailing Address: 1002 W Kimberly Rd, Davenport, IA, 52806

Director's Name: Shaney Ford **Phone Number:** 563-528-0973

On-Site Supervisor(s): Ben Ford **E-Mail:** dcsdsteppingstones@gmail.com ShaneyFord08@gmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 01-16-2025

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

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

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

Date Inspected: 01-23-2025

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: Year-round X School-Year Summer Only

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General				54	54
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 06-01-2024 to 06-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Hungate **Date:** 01-21-2025

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced off year visit was completed at this center on 1/16/25. This program is owned and operated by the Davenport Community School District and is located in the Jackson Elementary School building. Shaney Ford, is the director for all of the Stepping Stones programs. Shaney was present at this center on the day of the visit. Ben Ford is the on site supervisor for this site. Ben was present along with other staff. This center serves school age children from this school only. The program operates on school days only.

The primary licensed spaces for this program are half of the gym/cafeteria (maximum 24 children), media center/library (maximum 30 children), and room 26 (maximum 17 children). The center director has confirmed that the center always has access to at least half of the gym and room 26. The library is available for the program during its hours of operation except for on Wednesdays.

The center also includes the ability to use room 12 (18 children), room 29 (29 children), and room 44 (maximum 21 children). Staff are reminded to ensure that all spaces meet licensing requirements prior to use.

There are individual restroom areas for boys and girls adjacent to the gym, and hallway restroom areas nearby to room 26 are utilized by the program.

The center provides snack. Snack is prepared and supplied by the school cafeteria and left out or placed in the milk cooler where accessible for the program.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The staff were observed to be engaged with the children in activities. The staff appear to know the children well and the children respond well to the staff. The staff work well together. The center typically provides several various enrichment programs partnering with ISU Extension, the Putnam Museum, and Iowa PBS throughout the week at each site, and these programs are provided at no extra charge to the families. Files and other licensing documentation were found to be highly organized.

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

N/A

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Ensure first aid kit is not set where it is accessible to the children.

2. Ensure children are not at tables prepared for snack until they have washed their hands immediately prior.
3. Ensure staff personal items are not accessible to the children.

The center will continue with a full license. Please address the violation(s) and/or concern(s) noted in the report so that corrections are obvious and ensure that items remain in compliance. This report does not require a written response. Thank you.

*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.