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

Name of Center: Metro Kids - Brubaker **Enrollment:** 40 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 36559

Street: 2900 E 42nd St **City:** Des Moines Iowa **Zip** 50317 **County:** Polk

Mailing Address: 2100 Fleur Dr, Des Moines, IA, 50321

Director's Name: Kelsi Stanley **Phone Number:** 515-242-7951

On-Site Supervisor(s): Amy Rodriguez **E-Mail:** Kelsi.Stanley@dmschools.org

Date(s) of Visit: 06-29-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 12-29-2021

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

Date Inspected: 08-24-2021

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				120	120
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

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

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 07-24-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Metro Kids - Brubaker has been in operation since 2003. The center provides after school programming for school age children. During the summer, winter and spring breaks, Metro Kids offers all day programs. The school has secured entrances. The center uses the school's cafeteria, library, a few classrooms and gym for programming space. The center also uses the playgrounds. Kelsi Stanley is the director of the Metro Kids programs. Amy Rodriguez is the on site supervisor.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to DHHS licensing were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place at the entrance parents use. A summer schedule and lesson plan, "Fourth of July" were posted.

Amy Rodriguez wasn't present today. Sylvia Bright assisted with today's visit. Eleven staff were working today. Forty children were in attendance during the visit. Children are divided into two groups, the Red Room which is Kindergarten through 2nd grade and the Blue Room, which is 3rd through 5th grade. Children were observed in the library and one of the classrooms. Children were observed during individual choice activities and while doing an art project. Staff were assisting children and interacting with children throughout the visit.

Des Moines Public Schools is serving free breakfast and lunch during the summer. Metro Kids provides snacks. Snack menus were reviewed and CACFP requirements are being met.

The school's playground has some basketball hoops, some large climbing structures. There is tile for surfacing material. There are concrete and grass areas. School staff maintain the playground. Metro Kids staff has completed monthly playground checks.

Metro Kids Programs uses Des Moines Public School buses for off site field trips.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center has spacious programming space for the children being served. The center has a good amount of age appropriate supplies and learning materials available. Children are afforded large motor play on a daily basis through the use of the gym and playgrounds.

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

There were no licensing violations cited during the visit.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The center has a full license.

*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.

*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.

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An administrative change is being made to move the licenses for all Metro Kids locations to 1-1-2020 to 1-1-2022

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