

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

Name of Center: Wee Saints Day Care **Enrollment:** 85 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 22966

Street: 122 W 8th ST **City:** Saint Ansgar **Iowa Zip** 50472 **County:** Mitchell

Mailing Address: PO Box 158, Saint Ansgar, IA, 50472

Director's Name: Rose Minnis **Phone Number:** 641-713-4652

On-Site Supervisor(s): Rose Minnis **E-Mail:** weesaints@myomnitel.com

Date(s) of Visit: 06-01-2017

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

Date Inspected: 09-07-2016

Comments : Compliance on 09-19-16

LICENSE TYPE: X **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

Financial Type: Profit X Non-Profit NA

Accreditation: 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	29	11	11	27	78
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 07-01-2016 to 07-01-2018
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Becky Frost

Date: 06-05-2017

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

On 06/01/17 I made an unannounced licensing visit to Wee Saints Day Care in St. Ansgar. I met with Rose Minnis, the center director. Ms. Minnis has been employed by Wee Saints Day Care since 1997 and she has been the director since November 2000. Ms. Minnis has an AA in elementary education from NIACC in Mason City. There are thirteen staff members employed by the center. Rhiannon Warrington is in charge when Ms. Minnis is not present at the center.

The program is located in a free standing building. It operates Monday through Friday from 6:00 am until 6:00 pm. The center serves children ages 6 weeks through twelve-years-old. There are currently 85 children enrolled.

The program utilizes the following classrooms, infants (6 weeks until 12 months), 12-24 months room, two and three-year-old room, and a preschool/school-aged room. An inspection of each room was completed.

I reviewed documentation of monthly fire and tornado drills. The infant room and 12-24 month old room should practice the fire and tornado drills on separate dates. A radon test was completed in April 2017 and is good for two years. Results were within EPA guidelines. The fuel burning inspection was completed and no concerns were noted. A carbon monoxide detector was on site and is located in the preschool/school-age room. Outlets were protected. The fire marshal inspection occurred on 09/07/16.

Please remember to update your professional development policy to reflect the changes made in October 2016.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Ms. Minnis states her staff members have been terrific. They had a lot of turnover in the fall and they are finally full staffed. Staff members stepped up when they were missing staff members to help and helped in training new worker. Staff members are caring and organized.

Ms. Minnis states they have a clean center and items are in good condition.

Ms. Minnis states staff members receive a lot of training and staff development.

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

109.9(4): Daily written records are maintained for each child under two years of age and include time periods slept, amount of/time food consumed, time/irregularities of elimination patterns, general disposition, and general summary of activities. The daily sheets being used in the room for children ages 12-24 months is only documenting what the children eat at lunch. All food served must be documented along with the time.

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. Sufficient space provided for dining. Sufficient lighting shall be provided. Sufficient ventilation. Sufficient heating. sufficient cooling. Sufficient bathroom and diapering facilities. Equipment, including kitchen appliances, are maintained so as not to result in burns, shock, or injury to children. Sanitation and safety procedures for the center are developed and implemented to reduce risk or injury or harm to children and reduce transmission of disease. I observed a diaper change in the room that serves children ages 12-24 months. Staff members must remove their soiled gloves prior to putting on the new diaper or dressing the child.

109.15(5)a: Sufficient refrigeration is provided appropriate to perishable food.
Additional concerns: The temperature on the upright freezer closest to the pantry was 12 degrees. It must be zero degrees and below.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is issued for the remainder of the licensing period. All DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period. Please review the report carefully and correct the concerns identified during this visit as well as concerns from the previous licensing visit.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 319-292-2429; email rfrost@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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