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

Name of Center: ChildServe **Enrollment:** 13 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 52162

Street: 1661 Boyson Square DR STE 100 **City:** Hiawatha Iowa **Zip** 52233 **County:** Linn

Mailing Address: 5406 Merle Hay RD, Johnston, IA, 50131

Director's Name: Brianna Carter (Wood) **Phone Number:** 319-777-7451

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** sarahho@childserve.org

Date(s) of Visit: 12-23-2024

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 04-25-2023

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

Date Inspected: 11-14-2023

Comments : Does Comply

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.) X 2 Years X Preschool-Age X School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care X 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	0	10	10	4	24
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 09-01-2023 to 09-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 12-25-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at CHILDSERVE - 52162 on 12/23/24 for an annual visit. The fire inspection was completed on 11/14/2023. The center is nonprofit and overseen by a board of directors. The center serves 2 1/2 years old to 6 years old. The center is open year around. The hours of operation are 7:30-5:00pm. Their current enrollment is 13.

The director is Brianna Carter (Wood). She started in the clinic as lead teacher 10/14/2019. She was then promoted to Team Lead 5/25/2023. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology.

This worker observed all programming space in the center and outdoor area to ensure that the environment was safe, sanitary and hazard free. The center is located in a commercial building. The center uses two classrooms. They also have access to the gym. The center is adding to playground area- currently staff take activities outside with them- bubbles, chalk, balls, etc.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed including handwashing, medication management, appropriate cleaning/sanitizing/disinfecting, excluding ill children/staff, incident reports, and first aid kits.

Parents provide meals and snacks for their own child.

This worker reviewed required postings. This worker checked staff files and child files. The licensing notebook including emergency drills, first aid supplies, playground checklist, radon testing, HVAC testing and policies were reviewed. The center does communicate with parents via: Playground App, phone calls, and in- person conversations at pickup/ drop off.

The center uses the Star Curriculum for one on one learning. https://starautismsupport.com/curriculum/star-program

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The director has been with the clinic since 2019.
-The center offers therapeutic services on-site: Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), Autism Day Program, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Speech-Language Pathology (Speech Therapy).
-Classrooms are clean and safe. Children are able to select the activity they would like to play with/learn from via talking or pointing to pictures.
-The center opened in 2023 to meet the needs of children/families in the community.

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

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-Staff purses must be stored inaccessible to the children at all times:
https://poisoncontrol.utah.edu/sites/g/files/zrelqx281/files/media/documents/2021/PursePoster.pdf

-Plastic bags, diaper sleeves and latex balloons must be stored inaccessible to children at all times.

109.15(4)a: Written policies developed for food brought from home for children under five years of age not enrolled in school and is provided to parent at admission. Food brought from home for children under five years of age not enrolled in school is monitored and supplemented if necessary to ensure CACFP guidelines maintained.
-Several of the children are on specialized diets that may not meet the CACFP requirements. The center needs to develop a policy that explains CACFP requirements to the parents/guardians. If children under the age of five years of age not enrolled in school do not have meals/snacks that are credible they will be supplemented or a Diet Modification form will need to be completed: https://iowaccrr.org/resources/files/BGP/174%20Diet%20Mod.pdf
-Director is encouraged to review: https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/cacfp/crediting-handbook

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period. As a director, on-site supervisor, or child care staff it is vital that you know and understand all licensing standards and procedures. The licensing regulation checklist can be found by visiting: https://iowaccrr.org/resources/files/BGP/71%20Licensing_Chklist_3940.pdf

This worker will conduct at least one unannounced visit each year. This worker encourages you to establish a working relationship with your local Child Care Resource Consultant (CCR&R) and your local Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC).

Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) provides professional development and consultation services that support the child care business's ability to achieve and maintain regulatory status in good standing and work to achieve and maintain performance at higher quality levels in Iowa's Quality Rating and Improvement. To find your center's CCR&R consultant visit: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/

Healthy Child Care Iowa is a statewide publicly funded program to improve the health and safety of children while they are enrolled in child care and early education settings. Child care nurse consultants are registered nurses who provide consultation, training, and technical assistance on health and safety policies, health programs, health of personnel, and specific child health or safety issues. To find your center's CCNC consultant visit: https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/child-care/hcci

*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.