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

Name of Center: Altoona Campus Kids Klub-Delaware Elem **Enrollment:** 43 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 28353

Street: 4401 NE 46th ST **City:** Des Moines Iowa **Zip** 50317 **County:** Polk

Mailing Address: 1500 8th ST SW, Altoona, IA, 50009

Director's Name: Ashley Hejlik **Phone Number:** 515-402-1400

On-Site Supervisor(s): Amber Dales **E-Mail:** Ahejlik@altoonacampus.com

Date(s) of Visit: 12-04-2024

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 11-02-2023

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

Date Inspected: 08-08-2024

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				86	86
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:** 12-16-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

The Altoona Campus Kids Klub - Delaware has been in operation since 1992. The center uses the cafeteria, gym and a few classrooms for programming space. The school has secured entrances. Ashley Hejlik is the Administrative Director who oversees all the Altoona Campus Kids Klub sites. Ashley started in this role in October 2017. Ashley has been with Kids Klub since 2008. Amber Dales is the on site supervisor. Amber started as the OSS in August 2021. Amber has an associates degree in Early Childhood Education. She has several years of working in child care prior to coming to Altoona Campus Kids Klub.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to HHS licensing to rules were reviewed. All mandatory postings are in place. The schedule and lesson plan, "The Grinch" were posted. The center has interest areas set out throughout the cafeteria. Children's coats and backpacks are kept in individual baskets. Children are able to play large motor play activities in the gym.

Amber was present and she assisted with today's visit. There were four additional staff were working. There were forty two children in attendance today. Children were observed in the cafeteria and gym. Children were playing table activities and games. Children were doing a Grinch craft today.

The center serves snack after school. Menus reflect CACFP guidelines are followed. Children can eat breakfast in the cafeteria prior to school starting. Snack served today was turkey and cheese tortilla wrap.

The center uses the school's playground. The school's staff maintain the playground. The center completes monthly playground checks.

Altoona Campus Kids Klub uses school buses for off site field trips.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Ashley has been employed with Kids Klub for several years. The center has spacious programming space. Children are afforded large motor play on a daily basis through the use of the school's gym and playground. There is a nice amount of play and educational supplies for available for children's use.

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

There were no licensing violations cited during today's visit.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

This center has a full license.

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