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

Name of Center: Pipsy's Wee Care and Preschool LLC **Enrollment:** 64 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 52161

Street: 1010 N Jefferson Way **City:** Indianola Iowa **Zip** 50125 **County:** Warren

Mailing Address: 1010 N Jefferson Way, Indianola, IA, 50125

Director's Name: Tiffanie Money **Phone Number:** 515-690-6902

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** tiffanie.money@pipsys.care

Date(s) of Visit: 05-19-2025

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:** 05-05-2025

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

Date Inspected: 06-14-2023

Comments :

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

Financial Type: X Profit Non-Profit NA

Accredition: Accredited NAEYC NSACA Other X NA

Program Serves: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 2 Years X Preschool-Age School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	8	16	48		72
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 06-01-2025 to 06-01-2027
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 06-20-2025

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Pipsy's Wee Care and Preschool opened in July 2023. The daycare is located in a single standing building. The daycare has a secured entrance. There are also cameras in classrooms. The daycare offers child care services for infant age through preschool age. Tiffanie Money is the owner and director of the daycare. Tiffanie was a registered in home child care provider prior to opening up the daycare.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to HHS rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place at the center's entrance. Classroom schedules are posted. A current lesson plan was posted and also available for parents' viewing online. The center has four classrooms: the main classroom that has separate learning areas, an infant classroom, a classroom used for smaller groups and preschool classes and the courtyard. Classrooms are well furnished with age appropriate supplies and furnishings. The preschool classroom and main classroom have several labeled interest centers set up within the rooms. There are sensory tables and children size table sets for children to use during their play and learning activities. The courtyard has surfacing material in place. There are large motor toys, games and learning materials for children's use. There are boys and girls bathrooms by the main classroom. There are also single bathrooms available for children's use.

Lainey Breedon, the office manager, assisted with today's visit. The infant classroom had nine infants present. There were three staff working in this class. There were seven children present in the toddler classroom. Two staff were working with this class. The main classroom had thirty eight children present. Children were divided into three groups. Children in this room were ages two through four years of age today. There was one five year old child also present. There were eight staff working in the main classroom.

Children were observed in the classrooms and on the playground today. Children were observed during staff led activities, during child directed play and learning time and during transition times. Some children were observed while napping. Staff were actively engaged in children's activities throughout the visit.

The center has a full kitchen. The center serves breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. Menus reflect the center follows CACFP requirements.

The center has a playground that has fencing. There is turf for surfacing. There is an area designated for infants and an area for children ages two and up. The center is adding a shading structure.

The center doesn't provide transportation.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Tiffany has several years of experience in the child care field. The classrooms are well furnished with age appropriate toys, supplies and furnishings. The preschool classes are taught by staff who have a Bachelors degree in Elementary Education.

The center gets their lesson plan curriculum from Bright Wheel, Experience. The center has a secured entrance. The center has cameras in all classrooms.

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

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade.
There was was a toddler slide and climbing tunnel structure on the playground. These toys needed surfacing as they were taller than 18 inches. The playground doesn't have fall zone surfacing.
The center is removing these play structures from the playground.

109.12(5)e
The provider shall follow safe sleep practices recommended by AAP for infants under one year of age:
If an alternate sleeping position is needed, a signed physician or physician assistant authorization with statement of medical reason is required.
A six month old infant was sleeping in a sleep sack with restricted arms. SIDS is a serious concern for infants. Sleeveless designs allow for better airflow and temperature regulation. A sleep sack with arms can hinder movement. Infants need to have the ability to use their infants to roll onto their back when sleeping, as it helps with preventing suffocation.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

There were transition times in the large classroom that needed more structure. The center needs to ensure the classes are staying separate during transition times and during all times of programming. The younger children were mixing with older children for short time periods, when younger children didn't want to leave a program area and staff allowed a child to stay in that area when an older class had entered. This worker had conversations with staff during the visit about ensuring this was occurring.

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 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.