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

Name of Center: ADM Before and After School Program **Enrollment:** 30 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 44960

Street: 1608 Grove ST **City:** Adel Iowa **Zip** 50003 **County:** Dallas

Mailing Address: 215 N 11th ST, Adel, IA, 50003

Director's Name: JoLynn Blair **Phone Number:** 515-993-4285

On-Site Supervisor(s): Sherry Forret and Elizabeth Murphy **E-Mail:** admchildcare@admschools.org rikki.kuhns@admschools.org

Date(s) of Visit: 01-28-2025

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 12-08-2023

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

Date Inspected: 02-07-2023

Comments : State Fire Marshal inspections are due every three years.

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	0	0	0	125	125
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 02-01-2024 to 02-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Nate Knepper **Date:** 01-29-2025

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

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An off-year visit was conducted on 1/28/25. The director was present throughout the visit as was Rikki Kuhns from the Adel School District.

All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, ratios, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review.

ADM Before and After School Program is a school-age program that was given permission to open under HHS (formerly known as DHS) supervision on 10/26/15. Prior to this date, the center was overseen by the Department of Education. This center serves school-age children who attend this school as well as school-age children who attend school in DeSoto, IA. The center is open only when school is in session. If school is canceled or closed for any particular day, then the center is also closed. Typical hours are 6:30am - 8:00am and/or 3:30pm- 6:00pm, but the center is also open for early out days (Fridays). The center utilizes their own learning curriculum with children.

The center director as of 7/12/17 is JoLynn Blair. JoLynn has a BA degree in Education and has past experience working with children in a school setting. The on-site supervisors of this program are Sherry Forret and Elizabeth Murphy. All individuals meet the qualifications for their positions.

The center uses primarily the multi-purpose room and a smaller room within this room. The gym and outdoor playground area are also used.

During the visit, all children were using the multi purpose room and engaged in free-choice play. Some children were observed doing art projects. Two children were playing with manipulative toys. One child was observed initially doing homework.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center has a lot of tenured staff and some newer staff. Staff reportedly work well together.

The center meets a need in the community. Enrollment remains steady.

The center has a lot of storage space.

School custodial staff clean the center nightly. The center has a good working relationship with school personnel.

The center gives children an opportunity to complete homework daily. Staff also believed they provide a variety of activities for children to assist them in becoming more confident in themselves, speaking in front of others, etc.

The center has a website through the school.

Staff, if they work a certain amount of hours, are eligible for free health care through the school.

Good child/staff interactions were observed during the visit. Staff were spaced out among the different groups of children and engaged with the children.

The director is organized.

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. Adequate indoor and outdoor space is provided. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade.
1. More pea gravel is needed under swings and at the bottom of slides.
2. The blue "sausage handles" are still cracked and in need of repair or replacement. THIS IS A REPEAT ISSUE FROM LAST YEAR.

109.12(1): Program structure that uses developmentally appropriate practices and written program of activities planned to the developmental needs of children served. Program complements but does not duplicate school curriculum. Schedule of program is posted in a place visible to parents.
On the day of the visit, the AM, PM, and Early Out schedules were not posted.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The center is exempt from environmental testing because they are located in a school and only serve school-age children.

The center does not go on field trips and they do not transport children. The center will bring different agencies in from time to time for presentations to children.

I-Power was again discussed at the visit. It appears all staff have I - Power profiles and are updating their training certificates.

Brightwheel and Playground were again discussed at the visit.

As recommended at last year's visit, it is again recommended that outdoor playground mats be purchased for under swings and at the bottom of slides to better preserve the pea gravel surfacing and surfacing depth required.

*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.