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

Name of Center: Mills County YMCA Child Development Center **Enrollment:** 77 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 26

Street: 110 Sivers RD **City:** Glenwood Iowa **Zip** 51534 **County:** Mills

Mailing Address: 430 S 20th ST, Omaha, NE, 68102

Director's Name: Jeannie Lorimor **Phone Number:** 712-527-4352

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** mgrassau@metroymca.org

Date(s) of Visit: 07-15-2024

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: 10-13-2021

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 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				98	98
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: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans **Date:** 07-16-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced off year licensing visit was made to Mills County YMCA Child Development Center on 7-15-2024. Mills County YMCA Child Development Center is located in the Mills County YMCA in Glenwood, Iowa. The program provides before and after school care and full day care in the summer for school age children from 6:30 am to 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday.
Jeannie Lorimor became the director on April 24, 2023, Michelle Grassau is her supervisor. There are 77 children enrolled. The child development center for the younger children closed in 2019.

Observation of rooms:
Summer Day Camp - The children are separated into 3 groups according to age in two program rooms and the gym. The children were having fun - two groups were combined in the gym playing and one group was in their room making a craft during my visit. All areas were in ratio. The staff had excellent interactions with the children, they are positive and were attentive to the needs of the children. The children swim three times a week, walking field trips are taken and guest speakers come to the program. One field trip that requires bus transportation is taken every summer for a field day that is attended by the summer YMCA programs in the Omaha/Council Bluffs area. The weekly themed lesson plans/activities looked good. The center has fun, hands on learning experiences for the children every day - reading, math and stem activities are included.
Before and after school care is offered during the school year, full day programming is offered for in service days, school breaks and during the summer. The center uses the Procare child care app.
A staff persons purse was accessible to the children in one program room. Please make sure staff place their personal belongings/purses somewhere that isn't accessible to the children.

Nutrition:
The school age children bring their lunch for part of the summer and they participate in the lunch program through the school for part of the summer. The program provides the snacks. When children bring their lunch they are refrigerated. Appropriate food storage was observed. Even though your program isn't on the federal food program make sure you are in compliance with the CACFP food guidelines. Some of the snack items aren't CACFP compliant, please refer to the CACFP guidelines for information on credible food items.

Health and Safety:
The center states they follow the medication management procedures when a child is prescribed medication. The center is using the sanitizer Sani -T- 10, and they are using the three step cleaning and sanitizing procedure 1. Soap/water for cleaning, 2. Water for rinsing and 3. Your product for sanitizing.
Fire/tornado drills are practiced and documented monthly.
Radon testing was completed in a storage room in May 2023 with a test score of 2.9 pCi/L. Please complete radon testing in all program rooms and send me an email letting me know the radon test scores. Please review the radon testing information in your DHHS handbook as the frequency requirements have changed, the test results must be under a 4.0 pCi/L.
The YMCA has all electric appliances.

Playground:
The center hasn't been using their playground area due to needing new surfacing, the center received a grant to install padded surfacing and this should be completed y the end of August 2024. They also walk to a local park.
Please make sure you are completing the monthly playground safety checklist.

Transportation:
The center doesn't provide daily transportation services. Walking field trips are taken. The center takes one field trip that requires a school bus for transportation, it is a field day that is combined with other YMCA's.

Administrative records:
Child files were read and were in good order.
Staff files were read, some staff physicals need to be on the required DHHS form and some files need the national record check. Please review all staff files and have them updated with the required information.
Jeannie maintains daily contact with the staff and has regular staff meetings.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Jeannie Lorimor continues to be the director, she is very enthusiastic and proud of the program. She was very helpful during my licensing visit. The staff had excellent interactions with the children.
Your program is an excellent resource for the community.

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

109.9(1)b: All files contain:A signed copy of DHS criminal history record check or any other permission form approved by the Department of public Safety for conducting an Iowa or national criminal history check. A copy of Request for Child Abuse Information.Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted.Copies of national criminal history check results.Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.
Staff files were read - some files need the national record check. Please review all staff files and have them updated with the required information.

109.9(1)d: All files contain a pre-employment physical exam report completed within six months prior to hire and at least every three years. Physical exams shall be documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report.
Staff files were read - some staff physicals need to be on the required DHHS form. Please review all staff files and have them updated with the required information.

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.
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109.15(1): Center shall serve each child a full, nutritionally balanced meal as defined by CACFP guidelines.Staff shall provide supervision at table during snacks and meals.Children at center two hours or longer shall be offered food of not less than two hours and no more than three hours apart unless child is asleep.
Even though your program isn't on the federal food program make sure you are in compliance with the CACFP food guidelines. Some of the snack items aren't CACFP compliant, please refer to the CACFP guidelines for information on credible food items.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for Mills County YMCA Child Development Center for 9-1-2023 to 9-1-2025.
Off year licensing visit 7-15-2024.
Email for Jeannie Lorimor - jlorimor@metroymca.org

*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.