Health and Human Services

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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Horizon Science Academy

Provider No.: 52357

Address: 4801 Franklin AVE, Des Moines, IA, 50310

County: Polk

Director's Name: Kenna Rasmussen

On-Site Supervisor:

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HHS Visit Date: 11/06/2025

Licensing Period: 02/01/2026 to 02/01/2028

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 09/06/2023

Comments: Fire inspections are due at least every three years.

Report Visit Type:

- [ ] PTO
- [X] Licensing Visit
- [ ] Drop In
- [ ] Administrative Change

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [ ] Year-Round
- [X] School Year
- [ ] Summer Only

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Program Population Served:

- [ ] Infant(0-<24 Months)
- [ ] Toddler
- [X] PreSchool
- [X] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General			63	38	101
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

An unannounced licensing visit was completed on 11-6-25. Kenna Rasmussen, director was present for the visit.

Horizon Science Academy Before and After school was given permission to open 11-1-23. This center operates from the same building that the Horizon Science Academy School. The BASP operates from one room and has access to the playground. The director is Kenna Rasmussen. The principal of the Academy School is Laura Cannon.

Care is offered from 7AM-7:50 AM, and 3:10PM to 5:30 PM. This program is not yet open for summer care and operates during the school year.

The program offers breakfast, snacks and lunch in-line with CACFP as served from the cafeteria from the school.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

This program offers convenience and continuity with Horizon Science Academy and shares some staff.

This program interacts as a team with positive interactions.

The center has video monitoring of hallways and the exterior of the building.

This is a secure building.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

At the time of the annual visit; the files were missing records of Iowa and and National checks. The program has previously completed checks per last annual report, however the file management did not lend itself to having these files accessible to HHS as required.

There was a staff file reviewed that was missing a physical exam.

There was a staff file that indicated the staff needed to update mandatory reporter training.

It is recommended the director and principal inquire with CCR&R for assistance in establishing a file management system that allows all the necessary information for licensing to be easily accessible for inspection by HHS staff.

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4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

The center director and/or principal shall contact CCR&R for assistance in establishing a file management system that allows allows all the necessary information for licensing to be easily accessible for inspection by HHS staff.

The center director/principal should notify HHS consultant when contact has been made with CCR&R and that files contain the necessary information to for licensing standards.

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

This license expires 2/1/26. An annual visit will take place in order to issue a new license.

Date: 01/09/2026

HHS Licensing Consultant: Maggie Gibson, SWIV

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Care License. Please take steps necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above.

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at **https://iowaccrr.org**.