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

Name of Center: Busy Hands Preschool and Daycare Center **Enrollment:** 60 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 20243

Street: 14506 170th ST **City:** Letts Iowa **Zip** 52754 **County:** Louisa

Mailing Address: 14478 170th ST, Letts, IA, 52754

Director's Name: Betsy Buckman **Phone Number:** 319-726-3634

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** bclements@lmcsd.org

Date(s) of Visit: 04-05-2024

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:** 02-23-2023

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

Date Inspected: 04-20-2021

Comments : Does Comply.

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: Year-round X School-Year Summer Only

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General			16	25	41
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 04-01-2023 to 04-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 04-16-2024

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at Busy Hands Preschool and Daycare Center for an annual visit on 4/5/2024. The center provides preschool services, wrap around child care and before/after school care. The center is open from 7:00am to 5:00pm during the school year. They currently have 60 children enrolled. The center is located inside of Lousia Muscatine Community School District. The center is nonprofit. The fire inspection was completed on 4/20/2021.

The director is Betsy Buckman. Betsy has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education. Betsy started in 2012.

All program space was observed on the date of my visit.

Nutritional practices were checked. The center is on CACFP. The center provides morning and afternoon snacks. The school district provides an optional breakfast and lunch. The kitchen was maintained in a clean/orderly fashion.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed. The center followed handwashing procedures. The center stored medications appropriately. The center has a full stocked first aid kit. The center practiced emergency drills as required. The center had completed radon testing as required. The center had completed an annual fuel burning appliance inspection and had a carbon monoxide detector.

The center uses Second Step, Creative Curriculum and Savvas for their curriculum development.

The center’s policies, licensing notebook, staff files and child files were reviewed. The center had all required postings.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center uses Second Step, Creative Curriculum and Savvas for their curriculum development.
-The center is adding new fall surfacing.
-The center accepts Child Care Assistance.
-Betsy has a bachelor’s degree in early childhood education and a current Teaching License.
-One staff has an associate degree in early childhood education.

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

109.6(6)c: Center repeats Iowa record checks at a minimum of every two years or when aware of additional child abuse or criminal history that occurs.
-One employee needed a current Iowa SING check. Please review the following:
https://iowaccrr.org/resources/files/BGP/62%20Record%20Check%20Guide.pdf

109.7(1): All staff(within first 3 months of employment).Minimum health and safety trainings, approved by the Department.

-7/8 teachers need the Essentials Training. Please review the following: https://iowaccrr.org/training/EPS/

109.7(2): Center directors and all staff have the required contact hours of training.
-7/8 teachers need to have the required contact hours of training. Trainings can be found by visiting:
https://iowaccrr.org/training/

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.
-7/9 teachers neeed current physicals. The following form must be used:
https://iowaccrr.org/resources/files/BGP/4%20Phys%20Exam.pdf

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

It would be helpful if Betsy had access to Power School for all student she is responsible for overseeing.

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

The following agencies are available to provide consultation, support, and educational opportunities:
CACFP: https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/nutrition-programs/child-and-adult-care-food-program
Child Care Resource and Referral: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/
Early Childhood Iowa: https://earlychildhood.iowa.gov/
First Children's Finance: https://www.firstchildrensfinance.org/
Healthy Child Care Nurse Consultants: https://hhs.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants
Iowa AEYC: http://www.iowaaeyc.org/
Iowa After School Alliance: https://www.iowaafterschoolalliance.org/
Iowa State University: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/early-childhood
4c's of Johnson County: https://www.iowa4cs.com/

*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.