

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

Name of Center: Shimek BASP **Enrollment:** 81 **License ID No. (Reapplications):** 24258

Street: 1400 Grissel PL **City:** Iowa City **Iowa Zip:** 52245 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 1400 Grissel PL, Iowa City, IA, 52245

Director's Name: Matt Larson **Phone Number:** 319-530-1413

On-Site Supervisor(s): Claire Thoele & Emma Arp **E-Mail:** shimekbasp@gmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 01-23-2020

X **Licensing Visit** X **Unannounced Visit** **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 **State** X **Local** NA **Is Fire Inspection Approved?** X **Yes** **No** NA

Date Inspected: 11-21-2019

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
Accreditation: Accredited NAEYC NSACA Other X NA
Program Serves: Infants (0-23 mo.) 2 Years Preschool-Age X School-Age
 Evening Care Special Needs
SCHEDULE: Year-round X School-Year Summer Only

HOURS:	<u>Year-round</u>	<u>School-Year</u>	<u>Summer Only</u>		
LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General				95	95
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 02-01-2020 to 02-01-2022
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCACTION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown

Date: 01-24-2020

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

I arrived at Shimek BASP for a licensing visit on 1/23/2020. All program space was observed. The areas observed included: classroom safety/activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observations, field trip/transportation practices, and file/policies/notebook review.

The fire inspection was completed on 11/21/2019.

The director is Matt Larson. Matt started in 1/2005. Matt has an Elementary Education teaching certification with endorsements in Social Studies and Music, as well as having a B.A. in Literature, Science and the Arts.

The onsite supervisor is Claire Thoele and Emma Arp. Claire started in 1/2008. Emma started in 8/2016.

The center is governed by a board of directors. The center is located inside of Shimek Elementary School. The center utilizes the gym, library, computer room, music room, small kitchen/office.

The center provides care to 81 children. The center offers before/after school care and no school days. The program does not offer a summer program.

The center director and onsite supervisors develop the curriculum with assistance from the staff.

The center provides a snack.

The center takes the children on field trips. Examples of field trips include: Trampoline Park, Recreation Centers, Film Scene, and bowling.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-Matt has been with the program since 2005. Claire has been with the program since 2008. Emma has been with the program since 2016.

-The center has an amazing newsletter that shares important information with the children and families.

-The center offers four bands, cooking club, Jr Staff (5th and 6th graders), Fantasy Football, Yo-Yo Club, Dungeons and Dragons club, and Drop Everything and Read.

-The center developed a new theme: Shimek Cultural Community. They designed a culture quilt, a cookbook full of family traditions, and had an amazing potluck where the kids got to present the background stories and food.

-Child files were in full compliance.

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

109.7(1): All staff(within first 3 months of employment) At least one hour of training regarding universal precautions and infectious disease control.

-One employee needs Universal Precautions Training.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. The center is directed to correct the items listed in Section IV. The director gave me a verbal commitment that the noted rule violations would be promptly corrected. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

I encourage you to contact your local nurse consultant. Child Care Nurse Consultants work with child care and early education businesses. Businesses may call or send questions to a child care nurse consultant about health and safety policies, health programs, health of personnel, and specific child health or safety issues. Please visit the following website to find out who your consultant is: <http://idph.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants>

I encourage you to contact Child Care Resource and Referral. They offer centers assistance with meeting the DHS regulations, QRS, infant/toddler concerns, room arrangement and environment, developmental concerns, Best Practice information, CDA assistance, or any questions or concerns you may have. Please visit the following website to find out who your consultant is: http://www.iowaccrr.org/who_we_are/region_5/

*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.