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

Name of Center: Little Angels Learning Center **Enrollment:** 54 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 27735

Street: 606 E Army Post Rd Ste 5 **City:** Des Moines Iowa **Zip** 50315 **County:** Polk

Mailing Address: 606 E Army Post Rd Ste 5, Des Moines, IA, 50315

Director's Name: Ok Ja Jeun **Phone Number:** 515-285-2073

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** okja50@hotmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 06-29-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 05-08-2023

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

Date Inspected: 03-03-2022

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: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 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	8	12	24	46	90
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 07-01-2023 to 07-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 07-16-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Little Angels Learning Center has been in operation since 1994. Ok Ja Jeun is the owner and director. The center is located in a building, owned by Ok and her husband, and that also has other businesses present. The center provides child care for children ages infancy through school age. A security monitoring system is in place in the classrooms and kitchen.

An unannounced visit was completed today. All areas subject to DHS licensing standards were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place at the center's entrance. Classrooms had schedules and lesson plans available and posted. Ok was present. She assisted with the visit. All of the classrooms in operation were observed.

The infant classroom had two infants present. One staff was working with the infants. The 2's classroom had five children present. There was one staff working with in this classroom. The 3/4's had six children in attendance. There was one staff working in this classroom. There were a total of twenty four in the school age classroom. There are a few four year old children with the school age class. There were three staff working with this class today. Children were observed on the playground and in their classrooms. In the classrooms, children were doing individual directed play activities and some group activities. Children were at the tables playing with puzzles and coloring. Staff were assisting children with their activities.

The playground has fencings. The center has pea gravel for surfacing. There are some small climbing structures. There is also concrete on the playground. There are some outdoor toys left outside. Staff bring some toys outside when their classes go outdoors. The center has completed monthly playground checks.

The center has a full kitchen and cook on staff. Menus were reviewed. Some snacks being served don't meet CACFP guidelines. The center serves breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Ok is involved in all the daily operations of the center. She has been the owner and director since the center opened. The center has cameras in the classrooms.

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.

Number not in compliance: 1
One staff hired in April 2023 didn't have federal record check completed. This check was being completed.

109.9(2): All files are updated at least annually and when a change occurs.
All children files completed weren't current. Files hadn't had annual updates done and were missing current physicals.
Ok said she will review all children's files to get them current.

109.10(1)a: Preschool (for children five years and younger not enrolled in school): Physical exam report submitted within 30 days of admission, was obtained no more than 12 months prior to admission, is signed by a licensed MD, DO, PA, Chiropractor or ARNP, and contains health history; present health status including allergies, medications, and acute/chronic conditions; and recommendations for continued care if necessary.
Children's files are being reviewed and updated.

109.10(1)b: School-age (for children five years and older and enrolled in school): Annual statement of health status signed by parent is submitted prior to admission, certifies that the child is free of communicable disease, and lists allergies, medications and acute/chronic conditions.
Children's files are being reviewed and updated.

109.12(5)b: Infants diapered in a sanitary manner as needed in central diapering area.One changing table for every 15 infants/toddlers needing diaper changes.Diapering, sanitation, and handwashing procedures posted and implemented in central diapering area.
Additional concerns: Diapering procedures posting needed in children's bathroom
A poster is being placed in the children's bathroom

109.15(2): Center shall follow minimum CACFP menu patterns for meals and snacks.Menus planned one week in advance, made available to parents, and kept on file with substitutions noted.Avoid foods with high incident rate of causing choking.
CACFP information sent to center for review. Some snacks will be changed.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The center has a full license.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 515-362-7823; email mlarson@dhs.state.ia.us) so that we may discuss the issue. If necessary, I can make a notation in your record. You may also send a letter that will be included in your licensing file noting any disagreement you may have with this report. If you have the need for any additional information discussed during my visit, please contact me and I will forward the information to you. Thank you.

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