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

Name of Center: UIHC Child Care and Early Education Center **Enrollment:** 88 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 25120

Street: 109 Westlawn S Bldg Newton **City:** Iowa City Iowa **Zip** 52242 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 109 Westlawn S Bldg Newton, Iowa City, IA, 52242

Director's Name: Erin Konzen Assistant: Afrika Beatty **Phone Number:** 319-335-9666

On-Site Supervisor(s): Liz Rogers **E-Mail:** uihc@brighthorizons.com

Date(s) of Visit: 12-29-2023

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:** 08-03-2022

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

Date Inspected: 07-29-2022

Comments : Does Comply.

LICENSE TYPE: X **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

Financial Type: X Profit Non-Profit NA

Accredition: Accredited X NAEYC NSACA Other 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	27	18	49	25	119
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 10-01-2022 to 10-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 01-02-2024

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at UIHC Child Care and Early Education Center on 12/29/2023. The center provides care for infants-school aged children. The center is open Monday-Friday from 6:30am-6:00pm. The center has 88 children enrolled. The center is located inside of a commercial building They utilize 6 classrooms, the enrichment room, a nursing mother room, staff break room, storage areas, kitchen and offices.

The center is for profit. The center's fire inspection was completed on 8/4/2023.

The director is Erin Konzen. Erin started at the center on 12/18/2023.

The assistant director is Afrika Beatty. Afrika started at the center on 6/11/2019.

The onsite supervisor is Liz Rogers. Liz started at the center on 11/24/1997. She has an Associate's Degree.

Nutritional practices were checked. The center provides breakfast, morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack. The kitchen was maintained in a clean/orderly fashion.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed. The center had medications stored appropriately. The center did practice appropriate hand washing procedures at required times.

The center completed radon testing as required. The center completed an annual fuel burning appliance inspection and had a carbon monoxide detector installed as required.

The center's outdoor play area was inspected.

The center does not offer field trips.

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

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center has National Association for the Education of Young Children Accreditation.
-The center's curriculum World at Their Fingertips® includes: Health and Wellness, Language and Literacy, Social-Emotional Learning, STEM, Thinking and Learning, Visual and Creative Arts and Toward a Better World: Community, Character, & Inclusion.
-The center uses My Bright Day™ for Parents. This is a mobile app that allows the teachers to share: photos, real-time updates on care, learning, and milestones, and other important notifications with parents/guardians.
-The center has an enrichment room that focuses on STEM activities and active play.

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

109.9(2): All files are updated at least annually and when a change occurs.
-Two child files need an annual update.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-The center had peeling paint in several classrooms. If the center was built before 1978 shall conduct a visual assessment for lead hazards that exist in the form of peeling,
cracking or chipping paint or painted surfaces in the need of repair. If these lead hazards are found, it shall be assumed lead-based paint is present on the surfaces and
shall be repaired by an Iowa certified lead safe renovator before a full license being issued.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

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.