

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 12-01-2017 to 12-01-2019
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCACTION of license

Licensing Consultant: Jana Drew

Date: 01-12-2018

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Visited the center on 11-20-17 and talked with Michelle Worden, director. Ms Worden has a BA degree and sixteen years of experience working with children. MJ's Den-HES is an after school program located in Hinton Elementary School. The program utilizes the one classroom, music room and library. The program operates Monday through Friday 7:15am to 8:15am & 3:30pm to 6pm. The program serves school age children and currently has 58 children enrolled in the program. There is a buzzer outside the building where school staff let people into the school and the after school program.

The children are divided up into three groups; TK & K to the library, 1st and 2nd grade go to the music room and 3rd to 5th grade children go to a classroom. The program has art supplies, crayons, toys, cars, blocks, puzzles and games in their storage area and set up different ones each day at tables for the children to utilize. During this visit observed the children participating in the following activities: snack, free play(during this time children can explore the various centers throughout the room), drawing/coloring, outside time and games. Group activities as well as individual self-directed activities are available to the children. Children have access to bathrooms. Daily schedule of activities was posted. Sufficient amount of equipment and toys for the children. Observed the staff conversing with the children, explaining rules to the children and assisting children with activities.

Center Nutrition Practices Observed

The center provides snacks. Program follows CACFP guidelines for nutrition.

Center Health & Safety

Center currently does not administer any medication. Observed good hand washing procedures by staff and children. First aid kit is sufficient to treat minor injuries. Fire/tornado drills are documented each month. Good sanitary procedures are followed. Program areas appear well maintained and free of any observable health or safety hazards.

Center Playground

The center has a large fenced-in playground that they share with Hinton elementary school. Playground has climbing equipment and slides. Rubber cushioning surrounds the play equipment. The school inspects the playground. Shade is available on the playground.

Center Transportation Arrangements/Field Trips

Center does not transport.

Center Administrative Records

All the required postings were visible. Two staff records reviewed were missing one item. The five children's files reviewed were complete. The center's discipline practices consist of talking to the children, and having the children sit & reflect.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Program is well organized.

Positive interaction with the children.

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

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.

Number not in compliance: 2

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

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