

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

**Name of Center:** Cracker Box Kids **Enrollment:** 32 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 19825

**Street:** 408 7th ST **City:** Durant **Iowa Zip** 52747 **County:** Cedar

**Mailing Address:** 108 5th ST, Durant, IA, 52747

**Director's Name:** Stacy Brooks **Phone Number:** 563-785-4675

**On-Site Supervisor(s):** N/A **E-Mail:** cfk@iowatelecom.net

**Date(s) of Visit:** 06-27-2019

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

**Date Inspected:** 09-05-2017

**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**

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				23	23
Summer					0

**QRS Rating:** N/A

<b>RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:</b>	
X	<b>FULL</b> license from 08-01-2019 to 08-01-2021
	<b>PROVISIONAL</b> license from
	<b>DENIAL</b> of initial application
	<b>SUSPENSION</b> of license
	<b>REVOCACTION</b> of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown

Date: 07-01-2019

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

N/A

#### **II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:**

An unannounced visit was completed on 6/27/2019. All programming space was observed. The center was in ratio.

The center's approved fire inspection was completed on 9/5/2017.

The director is Stacy Brooks. Stacy has an Associated Degree in General Education and has worked at the center since 2007.

The center provides child care for 32 children.

The center is located inside of a school.

#### **III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:**

-The center classroom was nicely decorated with the children's artwork.

-The center has a wide variety of age appropriate toys for play.

-The center takes field trips on Monday and Wednesday during the center. They have gone to the Trampoline Park, swimming, library, Movie Theater, museums, Subway and bowling.

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

109.9(1)b: All files contain: Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted. Copies of national criminal history check results.

-Number not in compliance: 1

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.

-Number not in compliance: 1

109.9(1)e: All files contain documentation to indicate that ongoing staff training requirements are met, including current certifications in first aid/CPR and mandatory child abuse training.

-Number not in compliance: 1

109.9(2): All files are updated at least annually and when a change occurs.

-Number not in compliance: 4

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: 3

109.10(15)b: Emergency instructions, phone numbers, and diagrams for fire, tornado, and flood shall be visibly posted and documented at least once a month for fire and tornado. Records shall be maintained for current and previous year.

-Fire and tornado drills have not been completed since 9/2018. It is imperative that these are done monthly as required.

## **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/](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.