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

Name of Center: Pipsy's Wee Care and Preschool LLC **Enrollment:** 45 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 52161

Street: 1010 N Jefferson Way **City:** Indianola Iowa **Zip** 50125 **County:** Warren

Mailing Address: 1010 N Jefferson Way, Indianola, IA, 50125

Director's Name: Tiffanie Money **Phone Number:** 515-690-6902

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** tiffanie.money@pipsys.care

Date(s) of Visit: 10-10-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 04-25-2023

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

Date Inspected: 06-14-2023

Comments :

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 NAEYC NSACA Other X NA

Program Serves: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 2 Years X Preschool-Age 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	16	48		72
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 07-01-2023 to 06-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 10-31-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Pipsy's Wee Care and Preschool opened in July 2023. The daycare is located in a single standing building. The daycare has a secured entrance. There are also cameras in classrooms. The daycare offers child care services for infant age through preschool age. Tiffanie Money is the owner and director of the daycare. Tiffanie was a registered in home child care provider prior to opening up the daycare.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to DHHS rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place at the center's entrance. Classroom schedules and lesson plans are posted by classroom doors. The center has four classrooms: an infant classroom, a classroom used for smaller groups and preschool classes, the main classroom and the courtyard. Classrooms are well furnished with age appropriate supplies and furnishings. The preschool classroom and main classroom have several labeled interest centers set up within the rooms. There are sensory tables and children size table sets for children to use during their play and learning activities. The courtyard has surfacing material in place. There are large motor toys, games and learning materials for children's use. There are boys and girls bathrooms by the main classroom. There are also single bathrooms available for children's use.

Melanie assisted with today's visit. In the infant class, there were eight infants present. The classroom was divided into two smaller classrooms. There were five infants on one side with one staff and three infants on one side with one staff. This worker told Melanie and the staff one staff could not have more than four infants on their side. This was corrected immediately. The preschool classroom had five children present. The children were two year olds. There was one staff working with this group. The main classroom had eighteen children present. This group was a combination of two and three year old children. There were three staff working with this class. There were ten children in the courtyard. These children were a group of three and four year olds. There was one staff working in this class. There was one staff who was a floater assisting in the main room and the courtyard. Children were observed in the classrooms and on the playground. Children were observed during child directed play and during staff led, group activities. Children were observed doing art activities, reading and playing in learning centers. Staff were observed to be assisting and supporting children in their activities.

The center has a full kitchen. The center serves breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. Menus reflect the center follows CACFP requirements. Lunch served today was black bean taco salad, salsa, guacamole, bananas and milk.

The center has a playground that has fencing. There is turf for surfacing. There is an area designated for infants and an area for children ages two and up. The center is adding a shading structure.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Tiffany has several years of experience in the child care field. The classrooms are well furnished with age appropriate toys, supplies and furnishings. The preschool classes are taught by staff who have a Bachelors degree in Elementary Education. The center has a secured entrance. The center has cameras in all classrooms.

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

109.10(3)a: All medications shall be stored in original containers with physician or pharmacist directions. Labels should be intact and stored so they are inaccessible to children and public. Nonprescription medications shall be labeled with the child's name.
A child's file needed an allergy action plan for a prescription medication.

109.12(4): Individual covered mats, beds, or cots, and appropriate bedding is provided for all children who nap.Procedures are developed and implemented to maintain equipment and materials in a sanitary manner.Sufficient spacing is maintained between equipment to reduce transmission of disease and allow ease of movement by children and staff to respond to activities and care needs.
The center didn't have sheets for children's cots.

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 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.