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

Name of Center: Perry Child Development Center **Enrollment:** 53 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 25830

Street: 920 18th St **City:** Perry Iowa **Zip** 50220 **County:** Dallas

Mailing Address: 920 18th St, Perry, IA, 50220

Director's Name: Kim Bonjour-Eiteman **Phone Number:** 515-465-2522

On-Site Supervisor(s): Sharisse Hernandez **E-Mail:** perrychilddevelopmentcenter@gmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 05-08-2024

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 04-06-2023

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

Date Inspected: 05-10-2021

Comments : State Fire Marshal inspections are due at least every three years. THE CENTER IS DUE AGAIN FOR ANOTHER INSPECTION THIS MONTH.

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 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	0	13	40	24	77
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 4

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

Licensing Consultant: Nate Knepper **Date:** 05-09-2024

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

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An off-year visit was conducted on 5/8/24. The director and on-site supervisor were both present during the visit.

All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, ratios, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review.

Perry Child Development Center is a non-profit entity that is overseen by a Board. Kim Bonjour-Eiteman is the director and Sharisse Hernandez is the on-site supervisor. Both individuals meet the requirements for their titles and have been employed with the center for many years. Kim was previously a lead teacher before taking over the director role in 8/2019. Kim also has a BA degree in Early Childhood Education. Sharisse has a BA degree in Early Childhood Education and past experience as a lead teacher. The center originally opened in 1971, but under a different name.

The child care center serves children ages 12 months in age through school age (12 years old). The center uses the Creative Curriculum 5, A5Q, Ages and Stages questionnaire, and the Gold Online Assessment in their teaching of children.

During the visit, most of the children present were again napping. Mat spacing was sufficient. Children who woke up needing to use the restroom were also observed washing their hands under staff supervision.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Many of the staff have also been working at this center for several years.

The Center participates in CACFP (Federal Food Program), participates in IQ4K (based on best practice) , participates in ECERS, and is NAEYC accredited. The center also partners with United Way.

All lead teachers either have their CDA's, AA's, BA's, and/or working towards BA's.

A weekly and monthly newsletter is sent to parents/families which covers information related to the center in general as well as specific classroom activities. The center also has their own website. There are two parent-teacher conferences a year as well as yearly progress reports on children given to parents.

The center is using the electronic application, Playground.

Many forms are also posted in Spanish as there is a larger Hispanic presence in the Perry Community.

Monthly staff meetings are held.

Staff wear name tags.

The center has their own garden where they grow vegetables and incorporate this into children's learning activities.

The center has a Parent Advisory Board to better engage parents with center activities, etc.

Children use timers when washing their hands with soap and water.

There is overall good organization to files. The director and the on-site supervisor are organized.

First-Aid kits are nicely compartmentalized.

Within the past year, the center has replaced flooring and painted the interior of the building.

There is a security camera system in place.

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

109.9(3): Signed and dated Iowa immunization certificates are on file for each child enrolled.
Number missing: 0
Number invalid: 3. Several immunization records were not signed. In order to be valid, immunization records need to be signed and dated.

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.
December 2023 monthly fire and tornado drills were not documented. All other drills in 2023 to date in 2024 were documented.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Adequate indoor and outdoor space is provided. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade.
There are a couple of bolts in one corner of the newer fenced in area that need to be cut/capped so that no more than two threads are showing.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Radon testing was last conducted 11/24/22 - 11/28/22. All classrooms came back with radon levels below the 4.0 cutoff. Because levels were below 4.0, the center can move to testing for radon at least every five years now. So long as radon levels remain below 4.0, they can remain on a five year plan. If at the next testing, levels in any classroom come back 4.0 or higher, the center will have to have a mitigation plan, retest, and at least temporarily move back to testing every two years.

The annual furnace inspection was completed on 8/11/23.

It was previously noted that for when the center goes on field trips, they contact services with the Perry School District for transportation.

I - Power was discussed during the visit. It appears all staff have I - Power profiles and training hours are being uploaded. Some staff have training that still needs to be uploaded from the past year.

*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.