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

Name of Center: Little Angels Learning Center **Enrollment:** 53 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 24246

Street: 214 E Jefferson St **City:** Iowa City Iowa **Zip** 52245 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 214 E Jefferson St, Iowa City, IA, 52245

Director's Name: Cathy Stange **Phone Number:** 319-341-9757

On-Site Supervisor(s): Jamilee Xiong **E-Mail:** cstange@icfirstchurch.org

Date(s) of Visit: 05-11-2023

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:** 03-14-2022

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

Date Inspected: 03-02-2023

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

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*	*Summary Only*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	22	12	38	0	72
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 2

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 05-01-2022 to 05-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 05-17-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at Little Angels Learning Center on 5/11/2023. The center provides child care for infants to preschool aged children. The center is open from 7:30am to 5:30pm. The center has 53 children enrolled. The center is located inside of First United Methodist Church. The center is nonprofit. The center's fire inspection was completed on 3/2/23.

The director is Cathy Stange. Cathy has her Bachelor's in Human Development and Family Studies from Texas Tech University. She started in 2005.

The on-site supervisor is Jamilee Xiong. Jamilee has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Harding University in Arkansas. She started in 2007.

This worker observed all classrooms. The center staff use Creative Curriculum.

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

Health and safety practices were also reviewed. The center had a properly stocked first aid kit. The center's outdoor play has been inspected monthly. Fire and tornado drills were completed monthly. Radon inspection and fuel burning appliances inspection was also completed.

The center does offer walking field trips to the library, museum, parks, ice cream store, and pizza.

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 a Natural Playscape. The area includes: a sand play area, a water play area, a gathering space, a climbing wall, a messy materials area, a dramatic play with storage area, an art area, a worm bin and a pathway through a sensory-rich butterfly garden. The center also has a secondary outdoor area where children have water play, bubbles, sidewalk chalk, push toys, and balls.
-The center has a website that can be found at: https://littleangelsadvantage.webs.com/
-The center has Quality Rating Scale Level 2.
-The director has a Bachelor's in Human Development and Family Studies from Texas Tech University. She started in 2005.
-The on-site supervisor has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Harding University in Arkansas. She started in 2007.
-The center has purchased some new furniture.
-The center has begun repainting each classroom.
-The center is having family events.

-Teacher conferences are held twice a year.
-UI Reach Students intern at the center.
-The center offers University of Iowa students free childcare during finals. (Mostly-Master's and Doctorate Students)

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.
-One epipen needed a prescription label.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-Ensure that the gate/door is latched in the kitchens to ensure that the children do not have access to cleaning supplies, knives or staff purses.

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://idph.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.