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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Jackson Elementary Stepping Stones

Provider No.: 20812

Address: 1307 Wisconsin AVE, Davenport, IA, 52804

County: Scott

Director's Name: Shaney Ford

On-Site Supervisor: Ben Ford

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HHS Visit Date: 02/12/2026

Licensing Period: 06/01/2026 to 06/01/2028

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 01/23/2025

Comments:

Report Visit Type:

- [ ] PTO
- [ ] Licensing Visit
- [ ] Drop In
- [ ] Administrative Change

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [ ] Year-Round
- [X] School Year
- [ ] Summer Only

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HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*
Sunday			
Monday		2:50PM to 5:30 PM	
Tuesday		2:50PM to 5:30 PM	
Wednesday		2:50PM to 5:30 PM	
Thursday		2:50PM to 5:30 PM	
Friday		2:50PM to 5:30 PM	
Saturday			

Program Population Served:

- [ ] Infant(0-<24 Months)
- [ ] Toddler
- [ ] PreSchool
- [X] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General				45	45
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

An unannounced licensing visit was completed at this center on 2/12/26. Staff files were reviewed at a separate visit on 2/19/26. This program is owned and operated by the Davenport Community School District and is located in the Jackson Elementary School building. Shaney Ford, is the director for all of the Stepping Stones programs. Shaney was not present at this center on the day of the visit. Ben Ford is the on site supervisor for this site. Ben was present along with other staff. This center serves school age children from this school only. The program operates on school days only. The center reports enrollment of 19 children at the time of the visit.

The primary licensed spaces for this program are half of the gym/cafeteria (maximum 24 children) and room 44 (maximum 21 children). The center director has confirmed that the center always has access to at least half of the gym and room 44. The center may also use the media center/library (30 children), room 12 (18 children), and room 29 (29 children). These spaces are not included in the license capacity. Staff are reminded to ensure that all spaces meet licensing requirements prior to use.

There are individual restroom areas for boys and girls adjacent to the gym, and hallway restroom areas nearby to room 26 are utilized by the program.

The center provides snack. Snack is prepared and supplied by the school cafeteria and left out or placed in the milk cooler where accessible for the program.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

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Stepping Stones child care programs, including this one, have been overseen by the same center director and assistants for a number of years, and many programs also have experienced on site supervisors. The staff were observed to be engaged with the children in activities. The staff appear to know the children well and the children respond well to the staff. The staff work well together. The center typically provides several various enrichment programs partnering with Putnam Museum, Quad City Botanical Center, ISU (Iowa State University Extension), Nahant Marsh, Common Chord, WQPT, Jr. Theater, QC Animal Welfare, and Girl Scouts. Singular visits are provided to the center from Davenport Public Library, Davenport Police Department, and WQAD The Beast storm vehicle. These programs are provided at no extra charge to the families. Child files were found to be highly organized.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

109.9(1)a: All files contain:Copy of a department criminal history record check form or any other permission form approved by Department of Public Safety for conducting an Iowa or national criminal history record checkCopy of a request for child abuse information form, when applicable.Copies of results of Iowa record checks conducted through the SING for review by the department upon request.Copies of national criminal history check results.Any department issued documents sent to the center related to a record check, regardless of findings.
1. _1_ staff file reviewed did not have evidence that the Iowa record check was completed prior to the staff's involvement with child care.

109.9(1)b: 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.
1. _1_ staff file reviewed did not have evidence of a physical.

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

N/A

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

Required documentation for staff files received on 3/24/26. Report can be completed.

1. Emergency plan posting is needed at one of the gym doors.
2. Ensure staff remain at the table with children as long as there are any children are still having snack.
3. Ensure staff training certifications are completed timely.
4. Ensure all required documentation for staff files are available in the file or on the individual ipower profile (training requirements) for review by the licensing consultant.

The center will continue with a full license. Please address the violation(s) and/or concern(s) noted in the report so that corrections are obvious and ensure that items remain in compliance. This report does not require a written response. Thank you.

Date: 03/30/2026

HHS Licensing Consultant: Heidi Hungate

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Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Care License. Please take steps necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above.

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at **https://iowaccrr.org**.