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

Name of Center: Little Roadrunner Childcare Center **Enrollment:** 76 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 50631

Street: 405 E North St **City:** Truro Iowa **Zip** 50257 **County:** Madison

Mailing Address: 405 E North St, Truro, IA, 50257

Director's Name: Kristen Harris **Phone Number:** 641-765-5220

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** kharris@i-35.k12.ia.us

Date(s) of Visit: 12-05-2022

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 11-29-2021

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

Date Inspected: 06-17-2021

Comments : State Fire Marshal. Fire Marshal inspections are due at least every three years.

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: Infants (0-23 mo.) 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	0	40	54	94
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

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

Licensing Consultant: Nate Knepper **Date:** 12-06-2022

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 12/5/22. The director was present throughout 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. The most recent COVID updates were also reviewed.

Little Roadrunner Child Care Center is a center in Truro, IA that was given permission to open on 8/19/19. The center is located within the Interstate 35 Community School and they use three classrooms as well as the library at times as well. The three main classrooms each have a capacity of 20 children. The library has a capacity of 34. The center serves preschool through school-age (12 years of age) children year-round using a combination of different learning curriculums. Children attend before and after school and also wrap around care (preschool children).

The center is overseen by a School Board. The center director is Kristen Harris. Kristen has a BA degree in Elementary Education has has many years of experience working in child care including being the director at another child care center in the past.

During the visit, some children were returning from lunch to remain at the program for nap time. Some children enrolled in the after school program were observed outside playing on the playground which is part of their regular school curriculum.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Enrollment remains steady.

Every other month, all-staff meetings are being held.

The director has many years of experience working in child care and is organized.

Other school personnel are supportive of the program (nurse, principal, superintendent, maintenance, etc.).

Classrooms were clean and nicely decorated.

Files were again nicely organized.

The director stated she felt like she had a good group of staff who work well together. The director stated this is the first time in a long time that she has been fully staffed.

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

109.9(1)b: All files contain: A signed copy of DHS criminal history record check or any other permission form approved by the Department of public Safety for conducting an Iowa or national criminal history check. A copy of Request for Child Abuse Information. Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted. Copies of national criminal history check results. Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.
Number not in compliance: 1 SING check for an employee is past due. The director may also want to contact DCI on the fingerprint results for this staff member as well.

109.11(7)b: Centers at ground level that use basement area as program space, or have a basement beneath program space: Testing and plan for remedy of radon is conducted.
Radon testing is due every two years and was last conducted in classrooms 2/28/20 - 3/2/20 so it is past due.

109.15(4)a: Food brought from home for children under five years of age not enrolled in school is monitored and supplemented if necessary to ensure CACFP guidelines maintained.
Almond milk is not considered credible per CACFP. An allergy action plan is needed for this child who is under school age.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Radon testing is due every two years and was last tested 2/28/20 - 3/2/20. Radon levels came back below the 4.0 cutoff. It is past due.

The annual boiler inspection was last completed in 8/2022 and expires in 8/2023.

As previously noted, for transportation and field trips, the center contracts with the school district and takes a school bus.

All 16 and 17 year old staff also now have to be fingerprinted and have a permission statement from their parents/guardians on fingerprinting.

An allergy action plan was emailed to the director after the visit concluded.

I-Power and IQ4K were discussed at the visit.

Photograph permission should be an annual permission form signed.

*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.