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

Name of Center: Studebaker Boys & Girls Club **Enrollment:** 93 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51480

Street: 300 County Line Rd **City:** Des Moines Iowa **Zip** 50320 **County:** Polk

Mailing Address: 1421 Walker St, Des Moines, IA, 50316

Director's Name: Neisa Taylor **Phone Number:** 515-242-8540

On-Site Supervisor(s): Abby Block **E-Mail:** ntaylor@bgcci.org

Date(s) of Visit: 06-25-2025

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 05-27-2025

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

Date Inspected: 08-23-2023

Comments :

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 Preschool-Age X School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: Year-round X School-Year Summer Only

HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General				150	150
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 07-01-2025 to 07-01-2027
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 06-25-2025

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Studebaker Boys and Girls Club opened in June 2021. This center is located in Studebaker Elementary School. The center was built for the purpose of the daycare and has it's own space and playground. The center also uses the school's cafeteria and gym. They provide child care for children that attend this school as well as some children that attend schools in close proximity. Hours of operation during the school year are 2:30 0 6:00 pm. Summer programming hours are 7:30 am - 5:30 pm. The child care center space has several classrooms designated for various activities: game room, art room/STEM room, tech room, quiet room/homework room. Neisa Taylor is the executive director of Boys & Girls Clubs. Abby Block is the on site supervisor. She's been with Boys and Girls Club since 2019.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to HHS licensing rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place. Schedules/lesson plans are available. The center has furnishings, toys and supplies in the rooms used for programming. Staff use walkie talkies to communicate throughout the programming rooms. Children's belongings are kept in cubbies.

An unannounced visit was completed was completed on today's date. Abby assisted with today's visit. There were eight staff were working today. There is a staff that sits at the entry way desk who isn't included in ratio. There were forty children present today. Children are divided into smaller groups by age/grades: Purple (Kindergarten and 1st grade) Orange (1st and 2nd grade) Yellow (2nd and 3rd grade), Teal (3rd and 4th grade), Pink, (4th and 5th grade). These groups rotate through the program rooms. Children were observed on the playground, in the cafeteria and in one of the program rooms. Children were doing art activities, doing large motor play activities and having lunch. Staff were observed to be actively engaged with the children throughout the visit.

During the summer, breakfast and lunch are served at the school through a free meal program. Children can bring their own lunch if they choose to. The center serves afternoon snack. During the school year, the center serves afternoon snack and dinner.

The center uses the school's playground. School staff maintain the playground. There is rubber tile for fall zone surfacing for climbing structures. There is also grass areas and concrete. The center completes monthly playground checks.

Boys and Girls Club owns their own vehicles used to transport children to off site field trips.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center has a spacious programming space for the children. The center has several program rooms that have a nice amount of play and learning supplies. Children are served snack and dinner at the center during the school year. Large motor play activities are included in daily programming through the use of the playground and gym. The center uses KidTracks for

an online app to manage administrative records.

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

109.9(2)b: All files contain sufficient information and authorization to allow the center to secure emergency medical and dental services at any time child is in center's care.
Two children's files were missing dental information.

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.