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

Name of Center: Birdie's Nest Child Care Center **Enrollment:** 175 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 47901

Street: 2627 Hickory Grove Rd **City:** Davenport Iowa **Zip** 52804 **County:** Scott

Mailing Address: 2627 Hickory Grove Rd, Davenport, IA, 52804

Director's Name: NaRhea, Justice, & Presley **Phone Number:** 563-340-1818

On-Site Supervisor(s): Americus, Keana, & Dawn **E-Mail:** birdiesnestccc@gmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 12-03-2024

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:** 07-02-2024

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

Date Inspected: 02-23-2024

Comments : Does Comply.

LICENSE TYPE: X **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

Financial Type: X Profit Non-Profit NA

Accredition: Accredited NAEYC NSACA Other X 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	56	21	58	72	207
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 3

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 09-01-2024 to 09-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 12-07-2024

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at BIRDIE'S NEST CHILD CARE CENTER - 47901 on 12/4/2024 for an annual visit. The fire inspection was completed on 2/23/2024. The center is for profit. The center serves infants to school aged children. The center is open year around. The hours of operation are 6:30am-5:30pm. Their current enrollment is 175.

NaRhea Salzbrenner, Justice Price, and Presley Rosemen are the directors. NaRhea started in 2016. She has a Bachelor's degree in elementary education/early childhood education. Justice started in 2017. She has a Child Development Associates. Presley started in 2019. She has a Bachelor's degree in elementary education/early childhood education.

Americus Proehl, Keana Wrthington, and Dawn Nelson are the on-site supervisors. Americus started in 2020. She has a Child Development Associates. Keana started in 2017. She has her Child Development Associates. Dawn started in 2017. She has her Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education.

This worker observed all programming space in the center and outdoor area to ensure that the environment was safe, sanitary and hazard free. The center is located in a commercial building. The center has 11 classrooms, a gym, storage space, offices, break room and kitchen. The center’s playground includes: have play equipment, trikes, chalk, bubbles, and water play (in the summer).

Health and safety practices were also reviewed including handwashing, medication management, appropriate cleaning/sanitizing/disinfecting, excluding ill children/staff, incident reports, and first aid kits.

Nutritional practices and food safety were observed. The center is on the Child and Adult Care Food Program. The center offers breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack.

This worker reviewed required postings. This worker checked staff files and child files. The licensing notebook including emergency drills, first aid supplies, playground checklist, radon testing, HVAC testing and policies were reviewed. The center does communicate with parents via: ProCare.

The center’s curriculum is teacher created with a blend of: Frog Street and World or Wonders.

The center does offer field trips. Examples include: Putnam Museum, Family Museum, Niabi Zoo, Festival of Trees, and Pumpkin Patch.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center has done an excellent job of maintaining employees. DeeDee started in 2016. Keana, Sierra, Justice, and Dawn started in 2017. Bre started started in 2018. Presley and Natalie started in 2019. Brenna, Emily, Americus and Ashlynn started in 2020.
-The center has won Locals Love Us in 2025. They have won this award the past 7 years.

-The center has established working relationships with agencies that provide assistance to centers including: Child Care Resource and Referral, Nurse Consultant, Early Childhood Iowa, and Area Education Agency.
-15 child care centers in Scott County have chosen to participate in Iowa Quality for Kids. This center has achieved a level 3.
-2 Level 1s
-0 Level 2s
-9 Level 3s
-4 Level 4s
-0 Level 5s
-The center is a partner site for Davenport Community School District. They offer free 4-year-old preschool.
-They also partner with Head Start for 3-5 year old children.

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

109.10(3)c: For ongoing, long term medications, authorization shall be obtained for a period not to exceed the duration of prescription.
-The center must ensure that medications are not expired. Several expired epipens were found in the center.

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. As a director, on-site supervisor, or child care staff it is vital that you know and understand all licensing standards and procedures. The licensing regulation checklist can be found by visiting: https://iowaccrr.org/resources/files/BGP/71%20Licensing_Chklist_3940.pdf

This worker will conduct at least one unannounced visit each year. This worker encourages you to establish a working relationship with your local Child Care Resource Consultant (CCR&R) and your local Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC).

Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) provides professional development and consultation services that support the child care business's ability to achieve and maintain regulatory status in good standing and work to achieve and maintain performance at higher quality levels in Iowa's Quality Rating and Improvement. To find your center's CCR&R consultant visit: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/

Healthy Child Care Iowa is a statewide publicly funded program to improve the health and safety of children while they are enrolled in child care and early education settings. Child care nurse consultants are registered nurses who provide consultation, training, and technical assistance on health and safety policies, health programs, health of personnel, and specific child health or safety issues. To find your center's CCNC consultant visit: https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/child-care/hcci

*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.