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

Name of Center: Sprout Kids Academy Inc **Enrollment:** 144 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 47699

Street: 400 Elderberry St **City:** Tiffin Iowa **Zip** 52340 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 400 Elderberry St, Tiffin, IA, 52340

Director's Name: Rachel Volk **Phone Number:** 319-545-5437

On-Site Supervisor(s): Katie Cilek **E-Mail:** rachelvolk@sproutkidsacademy.com

Date(s) of Visit: 12-28-2022

X **Licensing Visit** X **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:** 10-07-2022

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

Date Inspected: 07-20-2022

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 X 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	48	48	48	50	194
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 12-01-2022 to 12-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 01-02-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

I arrived at Sprout Kids Academy for their annual visit on 12/28/2022. All program space was observed. The areas observed included: classroom safety/activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observations, field trip/transportation practices, and file/policies/notebook review. The center currently has 144 children enrolled.

The director is Rachel Volk. Rachel started at Sprout in August 2016.

The assistant director is Katie Cilek. Katie started at Sprout in January 2017.

The center is for profit. The center is inside of a commercial building. The center has 12 classrooms, a gym, a kitchen, a break room and several offices.

The center accepts infants to school aged children. The center is open Monday-Friday from 6:15am to 6:00pm.

The center fire inspection was completed on 7/20/2022.

The center utilizes Applebaum, Creative Curriculum, Handwriting Without Tears and Jolly Phonics for their curriculum.

The center does offer field trips. Some examples include: Bloomsbury, trampoline parks, museums, parks, swimming pools, splash pads, zoo, etc.

The center provides morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center's webpage is: https://www.sproutkidsacademy.com/
-The center utilizes Tadpoles for parent communication, daily notes check in and out, daily reports, and pictures/videos.
-The center has maintained lead teachers.
-Staff and child files were in full compliance.
-Classrooms are clean and well organized.
-The center provides school transportation to and from Tiffin and Oakhill.
-The center director and onsite supervisor have established strong working relationships with their employees.

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

The center was in full compliance on the date of my visit.

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.