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

Name of Center: Beyond the Bell-Perry Creek **Enrollment:** 88 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 47700

Street: 3601 Country Club BLVD **City:** Sioux City Iowa **Zip** 51104 **County:** Woodbury

Mailing Address: PO Box 2129, Sioux City, IA, 51104

Director's Name: Jenna Andrews **Phone Number:** 712-277-3600

On-Site Supervisor(s): Dawn Borchers **E-Mail:** jandrews@siouxlandship.org

Date(s) of Visit: 09-20-2023

Licensing Visit **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:** 10-04-2022

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

Date Inspected: 06-23-2023

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				297	297
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 10-01-2022 to 10-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Jana Drew **Date:** 09-20-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Visited the center on 09-20-23 and spoke with Prairie Gordon lead staff, Dawn Borchers, is the new onsite supervisor was not present. Dawn Borchers is also the onsite for several other BTB sites. Beyond the Bell Perry Creek is a before/after school program located in Perry Creek elementary school. The program utilizes the gym/lunch room, computer room and library. The program is operated by the Beyond the Bell organization Monday 6:30am to 8:30am & 2:30pm to 6pm, Tuesday through Friday 6:30am to 8:30am & 3:30pm to 6pm. The program serves school age children Preschool, and TK thru 5th grade. There is a buzzer outside the building to get into the school and the Beyond the Bell program. Staff meet people at the door to gain access to the program.

There are 88 children enrolled in the program. There were 45 children present. All areas of the program were observed. The areas observed consisted of lunchroom/gym, observations and activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review. The center continues in following all guidelines put forth by DHS regarding the corona-virus and doing everything they can to support their staff and families.

Before school the children will do centers upon arriving to the program until 7:30am at which time the children have a choice to stay doing centers or go into the gym. Around 7:55am those children who want school breakfast can get in line to eat breakfast and then go to the gym when they are done eating. Children are dismissed at around 8:25am in the gym when their teachers come and get them. After school they divide the children up into four groups Preschool/TK, K, 1-2nd grade and 3rd to 5th grade and rotate them through the gym, lunchroom and computer room throughout the day. The program only serves kids from Perry Creek and Clark Elementary. Preschoolers come to the program only in the afternoon and are bussed over from Clark Elementary School. The program has centers stored in totes in their storage area and set up different ones each day at tables throughout the lunchroom. This school year the school has a "no" electronics at the school. So staff or kids cannot have their phones, ear buds, or smart watches.

Staff files will be reviewed at a later date as they are located at the main office. The program is transitioning to go paperless by using the playground application.

The Sioux City School District provides breakfast, snacks and milk and follows CACFP guidelines for nutrition.

Medication is stored in a lock box or out of reach of the children. However at this time the program does not give any medication to the children. Radon testing was not available at the time of the visit and needs to be in updated binder. Yearly furnace inspection was also not available at the time of the visit. First aid was complete to treat minor injuries, however, it also needs to include emergency numbers for parents. Reminder that toys that children use should be sanitized at least weekly. Monthly playground inspections also need to be completed.

Center Transportation Arrangements/Field Trips
They utilize the school buses and Sioux City School System drivers. Staff accompany the children on all the field trips. At this time they are not doing any field trips but are hoping to do some after the new year.

Goals of the program is to get on the IQ4K program.

Strengths of the program is staff have good communication with the kids and parents that they serve. And staff has employed with BTB for more than 2 years.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Center sends home a newsletter each month to keep parents aware of what is going on in the program.

The program is organized.

Availability of enrichment classes with school teachers to improve academic skills.

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

109.10(13): Field trip emergency numbers: Phone numbers for each child shall be taken by staff when transporting to and from school, and on field trips and non-center-sponsored activities away from the premises.
Written emergency phone numbers should also be in the first aid kit.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Adequate indoor and outdoor space is provided. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade. Sufficient space provided for dining. Sufficient lighting shall be provided. Sufficient ventilation. Sufficient heating. sufficient cooling. Sufficient bathroom and diapering facilities. Equipment, including kitchen appliances, are maintained so as not to result in burns, shock, or injury to children. Sanitation and safety procedures for the center are developed and implemented to reduce risk or injury or harm to children and reduce transmission of disease.
Toys that children use should be sanitized on a weekly basis unless put in the mouth then sanitized asap.

109.11(3)d: Record of monthly inspections of outdoor recreation area and equipment shall be kept.

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.

109.11(7)c: All centers: Annual inspection prior to heating season of all fuel-burning appliances to reduce risk of carbon monoxide poisoning and shall install one carbon monoxide detector on each floor that conforms to UL Standard 2034.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Program will need to email consultant confirming that all aspects that fall below standards have been corrected by 10-31-23. It is also recommended to update the licensing binder.

A full license is recommended at this time at this time.

At least one visit will be made to the center during the next year.

*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.