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

Name of Center: Andrew Little Leaders Daycare **Enrollment:** 25 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 47900

Street: 13 S Marion St **City:** Andrew Iowa **Zip** 52030 **County:** Jackson

Mailing Address: PO Box 230, Andrew, IA, 52030

Director's Name: Virginia Cornelius **Phone Number:** 563-672-3221

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** virginia.cornelius@andrew.k12.ia.us

Date(s) of Visit: 01-31-2024

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

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

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

Date Inspected: 04-18-2022

Comments : Room 106, three year old preschool room, approved on 5/11/21.

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: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 2 Years X Preschool-Age School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	15	9	27		51
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 01-01-2023 to 01-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Hungate **Date:** 02-21-2024

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced off year visit was completed at this center on 1/31/24. Virginia Cornelius is the approved center director. This center is owned and operated by the Andrew Elementary School. The center occupies a two room building next to the main school building as well as one room within the school building itself. The center currently serves children age infant through five years. Before and after school care for school age children is currently not licensed as it is provided by a grant program exempt from licensing. The Iowa Voluntary Preschool Grant program is offered at the school and those children may stay for child care after that program ends.

The early childhood building is located on the school grounds and includes two separate program rooms joined together by a short hallway area. The building includes the following program rooms: infant room (zero through 23 months) and toddler room (18 months through three years). The two program rooms were observed to be adequately stocked with accessible materials to support program needs. Program rooms are large and provide ample space for activities. Both rooms include appropriate diaper stations within the rooms. There are two restroom areas located in the short hallway area that connects the two rooms. Both program rooms also include hand washing sinks within the room. The infant room includes a sink that is only used for food preparation activities. The three year old preschool room is located in the main school building and also provides child care to children age three through five years. That room is adequately supplied and organized with accessible materials to support program needs. Children from that room must travel to restroom areas located across the hall for all hand washing and restroom activities.

Children from the three year old preschool are able to use the "old" school gym on rare occasion.

The center serves breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack. The center does not participate in the CACFP but understands the requirement to follow these guidelines. Breakfast and lunch are provided by the school and are prepared at the school kitchen which is licensed by the IDPH. Snacks are provided by the center. Breakfast and lunch are prepared by the center in the school kitchen on non school days. Children pay an extra fee for meals and snacks.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The program rooms provide ample space for the children. The center director reports that new flooring has been installed throughout the child care building since the last licensing visit. Licensing documentation and files are organized. The center director reports continuing to work with their CCRR consultant as recommended.

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

STAFF FILES:
109.9(1)d: All files contain a pre-employment physical exam report completed within six months prior to hire and at least every three years. Physical exams shall be documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report.

1. _1_ staff file reviewed did not have evidence of the physical.

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.
1. Staff bags and other miscellaneous hazards accessible to the children in the teacher desk area located in the toddler room. This area should be removed or secured so that children may not be able to access.
2. Child observed drinking water from the hand washing sink, and from a cup set next to the hand washing sink in the toddler room.

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.
1. Documentation could not be located and was not received to indicate all of the gas appliances in the school building have passed the annual inspection.

***Documentation is required for all gas appliances in both the child care building and the school building of an annual passing inspection. This documentation shall be maintained in the licensing binder on site.

109.12(1): Program structure that uses developmentally appropriate practices and written program of activities planned to the developmental needs of children served. Program complements but does not duplicate school curriculum. Schedule of program is posted in a place visible to parents.
1. Current activity planning not posted for the toddler room. Concerns with activity planning have been cited previously.

109.15(2): Center shall follow minimum CACFP menu patterns for meals and snacks. Menus planned one week in advance, made available to parents, and kept on file with substitutions noted. Avoid foods with high incident rate of causing choking.
1. Current menu not posted in the preschool room. Ensure posted menus include all meals and snacks and all components served show on the menu. Concerns with CACFP compliance and menu postings have been cited previously.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. The center is no longer mixing two year old children with children over three years of age as required.
2. Improve storage of cots and bedding items in the closet area so that cots and children's bedding items are kept separated and sanitary from cross contamination.
3. Update license that is posted in the three year old preschool room (expired license is posted).
4. Ensure all spray bottles are clearly labeled for their contents and location of use.

The center will continue with a full license. The center is directed to correct the items cited and the items noted above in this section of the report and to submit a written summary to the licensing consultant as to how and when those corrections are/will be completed. The written summary shall be submitted within 30 days of receipt of this evaluation. It is recommended that the center continue to work closely with the CCRR consultant for assistance with licensing compliance. Thank you.

*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.