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

Name of Center: Miss Wendy's Preschool **Enrollment:** 30 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 18066

Street: 118 S Main St **City:** Huxley Iowa **Zip** 50124 **County:** Story

Mailing Address: PO Box 304, Huxley, IA, 50124

Director's Name: Wendy Dubberke **Phone Number:** 515-597-3478

On-Site Supervisor(s): Larin Hermanson **E-Mail:** Wendy.dubberke@hotmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 04-19-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 03-21-2022

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

Date Inspected: 02-10-2021

Comments : Fire inspections are due at least every three years.

LICENSE TYPE: **Child Care** X **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: Infants (0-23 mo.) 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*	*Summer Only*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General			22		22
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 05-01-2022 to 05-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Debbie Hammer **Date:** 04-21-2023

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

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An off-year visit was conducted on 4/19/23. The Director and on-site supervisor were present for the visit.

All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review.

Miss Wendy's Preschool has been owned and operated by Wendy Dubberke since 1980. She has been the only director. Since 2013, the assistant director has been Wendy's daughter, Larin. Larin received her degree in Early Childhood in 2013.

Miss Wendy's has been corroborating with the school district since 2010 to provide the universal preschool program. All the preschools in Huxley participate in this partnership with the school district. This preschool is located in a building located at one end of Main Street. The city park is at the other end of the block, and the children will occasionally use the park for outdoor play.

The program uses the Creative Curriculum, as well as Haggerty and IGIDS curriculum.

Preschool is offered Mon-Thur. The morning class meets 8:30-11:30 am, and the afternoon class meets 12:30-3:30 pm. Last summer this program provided summer sessions and will continue to offer summers sessions moving forward. The program offers sessions to preschool age children (age 3-5) on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 8:30 am to 11:30 am. The program will have summer programming for the months of June and July.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

This is a well established preschool that has been in the community for many years.

Wendy feels she offers a great program that allows kids to be kids. Play time is important for the developmental growth of children, and lots of learning takes place when children are playing.

Wendy and Larin work well together and are a good team.

The children are ready for kindergarten and the preschool receives positive feedback from the schools.

The preschool offers conferences twice a year and the preschool conducts early literacy indicators for the children.

The preschool has a Facebook page and sends out weekly newsletters to parents.

The summer sessions have been going well and has been well received by the families and children.

The program has strong enrollment, and is already almost fully enrolled for next school year.

The preschool received grant money and was able to put in a new ceiling, new lighting, new flooring, new tables and new chairs.

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

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.
Number not in compliance: 1
One staff file reviewed did not have a repeat physical exam report at the three year mark, the last physical was completed in 2018.

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.
Number not in compliance for dental: 1
Information lacking: One child file did not contain dentist information.

109.10(1)a: Preschool (for children five years and younger not enrolled in school): Physical exam report submitted within 30 days of admission, was obtained no more than 12 months prior to admission, is signed by a licensed MD, DO, PA, Chiropractor or ARNP, and contains health history; present health status including allergies, medications, and acute/chronic conditions; and recommendations for continued care if necessary.
Number not in compliance: 1

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Radon testing is now due every five years if the test is under the 4.0 cutoff. The center last completed radon testing in April of 2023 and all rooms fell below the 4.0 cutoff.

The staff will have the physical exam report completed within the next month.

The program will ensure all child files are up to date with all necessary and required information.

*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.