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

Name of Center: Creation Kids Childcare Center **Enrollment:** 120 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 24284

Street: 85 N Jones BLVD **City:** North Liberty Iowa **Zip** 52317 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 85 N Jones BLVD, North Liberty, IA, 52317

Director's Name: Michelle Eide & Kara Fenstermaker **Phone Number:** 319-626-2284

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** ckdir@southslope.net

Date(s) of Visit: 12-11-2023

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:** 09-30-2022

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

Date Inspected: 10-13-2021

Comments : Does Comply.

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 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			80	90	170
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: Heidi Brown **Date:** 12-11-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at Creation Kids Childcare Center 12/11/2023. The center provides child care services. The center is open Monday- Friday from 6:15am to 6:00pm. The center has 120 children enrolled. The center is located inside of United Methodist Church. They utilize nine classrooms, kitchen, storage space and office. The center is nonprofit and overseen by a board of directors. The center's fire inspection was completed on 10/13/2021.

The director is Michelle Eide. Michelle has an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education. She started the center in 2000. The assistant director is Kara Fenstermaker. Kara has an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education. She started with the center in 2003.

This worker observed all programming space and reviewed the curriculum.

Nutritional practices were checked. The center provides breakfast, morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack. The kitchen was maintained in a clean/orderly fashion.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed. The center had medications stored appropriately. The center did practice appropriate hand washing procedures at required times.

The center completed radon testing as required. The center completed an annual fuel burning appliance inspection and had a carbon monoxide detector installed as required.

The center's outdoor play area was inspected.

The center does offer field trips. They have gone to the following places: The Shell, Llama Farm, museums, Pumpkin Patch, dance studio and Fun Station.

The center's policies, licensing notebook, staff files and child files were reviewed. The center also had required postings.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-Creation Kids has been open since August 2000.
-The center has a website: http://www.creationkidschildcare.com/
-The center has done a wonderful job maintaining staff. Michelle 2000, Kara 2003, Amber 2008, Katie 2009, Ashley 2011 and Jesse 2014.
-The center is offering a Family Thanksgiving.
-The center is in the process of working on IQ4K.
-Teachers did an amazing job at being at the children's level, engaging them in appropriate activities and redirecting them when necessary.
-The center is using Brightwheel for open parent communication, payments, pictures, etc.

-The center painted all the classrooms.

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

109.10(15)b: Emergency instructions, phone numbers, and diagrams for fire, tornado, and flood shall be visibly posted and documented at least once a month for fire and tornado. Records shall be maintained for current and previous year.
-The center missed fire drills in March, June, July, October and December.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-Ensure that staff purses and backpacks are inaccessible to the children. The director is encouraged to share the following poster with all staff:
https://poisoncontrol.utah.edu/sites/g/files/zrelqx281/files/media/documents/2021/PursePoster.pdf

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://hhs.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.