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

Name of Center: KCE Champions LLC @ Amana Elementary **Enrollment:** 35 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51358

Street: 3023 220th Trail **City:** Middle Amana Iowa **Zip** 52307 **County:** Iowa

Mailing Address: PO Box 39, Swisher, IA, 52338

Director's Name: Mona Williams **Phone Number:** 319-504-3408

On-Site Supervisor(s): Celie Butler **E-Mail:** mona.williams@discoverchampions.com

Date(s) of Visit: 07-16-2025

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:** 08-02-2023

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

Date Inspected: 03-26-2024

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: 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			16	59	75
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 10-01-2025 to 10-01-2027
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 08-01-2025

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at KCE CHAMPIONS LLC @ AMANA ELEMENTARY – 51358 on 7/16/2025for an annual visit. The center is located inside Amana Elementary School. They utilize a classroom and multipurpose room. The fire inspection was completed on 3/26/24. The center is for profit. The center serves preschool to school aged children. The center is open year around. The hours of operation are 6:30am to 6:00pm. Their current enrollment is 35 children.

The director is Mona Williams. She has an Associate's Degree with some classes in Elementary Education and Special Education. The director started in 2019 with Champions.

The onsite is Celie Butler. She started in May, 2021.

This worker observed all programming space in the center and outdoor area to ensure that the environment was safe, sanitary and hazard free.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed including handwashing, medication management, appropriate cleaning/sanitizing/disinfecting, excluding ill children/staff, incident reports, and first aid kits.

The center has a playground area and monthly inspections were completed.

The center utilizes the Early Foundations Curriculum. The curriculum focuses on: Character Development, Community, Creative Expressions, Executive Function, Inquiry-Based Learning, and Literacy.

They do not offer transportation or field trips.

The center serves morning and afternoon snacks. The school district provides lunch during the school year.

Staff files, child files and the licensing notebook were reviewed.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center director started in 2019. The center on-site supervisor started in 2021.
-The center accepts Child Care Assistance.
-The center's curriculum is Champion Based: https://www.discoverchampions.com/programs-curriculum/programs-overview/before-and-after-school-programs/grades-k-6

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 the annual visit, it is recommended that this center remain in full licensing status. The center must comply with the minimum requirements as defined in state laws and rules governing the standards for childcare centers. The childcare consultant will conduct at least one unannounced visit each year

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Care License. Please take steps to address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all the above-mentioned violations.

It is imperative that the director has a full understanding of Iowa Code 109 and Comm. 204. They can be found by visiting: https://iowaccrr.org/providers/ccc/ under HHS Regulations.

The director is strongly encouraged to work with their Child Care Resource and Referral Child Care Consultant and their Child Care Nurse Consultant.

Please do not hesitate to contact the licensing consultant, Heidi Brown, if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at 515-631-8846 or heidi.brown@hhs.iowa.gov

*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.