

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

Name of Center: Zuma Zoo Daycare **Enrollment:** 40 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 46951

Street: 108 E Irwin St **City:** Montezuma **Iowa Zip** 50171 **County:** Poweshiek

Mailing Address: PO Box 923, Montezuma, IA, 50171

Director's Name: Alexa Wheaton **Phone Number:** 641-623-3457

On-Site Supervisor(s): Amy Worrall **E-Mail:** alexa@zumazoodaycare.com

Date(s) of Visit: 04-30-2019

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: 05-29-2017

Comments :

LICENSE TYPE: X **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

Financial Type: X **Profit** **Non-Profit** NA

Accreditation: **Accredited** **NAEYC** **NSACA** **Other** X NA

Program Serves: X **Infants (0-23 mo.)** X **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	8		18	18	44
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 04-01-2018 to 04-01-2020
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant

Date: 05-21-2019

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Zuma Zoo Daycare opened April 2016. The center is located within a single standing building which has a secured entrance. The center serves children ages infancy through ten years. Alexa Wheaton is the owner and director. Alexa has a BA in Elementary Education and prior child care experience. Amy Worrall is the on site supervisor. Amy has been employed with the center since 2016.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. Alexa was present and she assisted with the visit today. All program rooms were observed today. Ratio was met or exceeded licensing requirements. Children were observed during child directed play activities.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Alexa is the owner of the center and she is actively involved in all aspects of the center. Enrollment at the center has steadily increased since the center has opened. The center is located close to the elementary school. Alexa has a contract with the school for breakfast and lunch.

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

109.9(1)b: All files contain:A signed copy of DHS Criminal History Record Check, Form B, that was submitted prior to employment. A copy of Request for Child Abuse Information.Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted.Copies of national criminal history check results.Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.

Number not in compliance: 1

109.9(4): Daily written records are maintained for each child under two years of age and include time periods slept, amount of/time food consumed, time/irregularities of elimination patterns, general disposition, and general summary of activities. The infant communication sheet does not have a designated place for general disposition. An example has been sent to the center.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 515-725-2635; email mlarson@dhs.state.ia.us) so that we may discuss the issue. If necessary, I can make a notation in your record. You may also send a letter that will be included in your licensing file noting any disagreement you may have

with this report. If you have the need for any additional information discussed during my visit, please contact me and I will forward the information to you. Thank you.

*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.

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