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

Name of Center: SCFY-Newcomb Early Learning Center Enrollment: 54 License ID No. 43796

(Reapplications)

Street: 2619 N Division St City: Davenport Iowa Zip 52804 County: Scott

Mailing Address: 624 E 4th St, Davenport, IA, 52801

Director's Name: Debra Gustafson **Phone Number:** 563-345-6511

On-Site Supervisor(s): Megan denBlaauwen E-Mail: dgustafson@scottcountyfamilyy.org

Date(s) of Visit: 08-15-2018

X Licensing Visit X Unannounced Visit Off Year Visit Administrative Change

LICENSING VISITS

New Application X Re-Application NA

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

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

Date Inspected: 03-31-2017

Comments:

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 Summer Only LICENSE CAPACITY Infants 2 Years Preschool School-Age Capacity General 9 20 32 61 Summer 0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 10-01-2018 to 10-01-2020
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Hungate, MSW Date: 08-20-2018

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced licensing visit was completed at this center on 8/15/18. The approved on site supervisor for this program is Megan denBlaauwen, and she was present for the visit along with other staff. The center director is Deb Gustafson. Deb is the director for the numerous YMCA child care and preschool programs in the area. She was also present for a portion of this visit. This preschool is one of many owned and operated by the Scott County Family Y. The Y has well designed organizational structure. The center is located in a portion of the lower level of the Newcomb Presbyterian Church. This is a leased arrangement. The center does now participate in the Iowa Voluntary Preschool Grant program.

There are four separated program areas. The "bird's nest" room is a small room located on a stage level and includes three and four year old children. The "frog pond" room (fours/fives) and "butterfly garden" (twos/threes) are large divided portions of the large main room. The portions are divided by cubby units. The "rabbits burrow" (18 months to two years) is a small separated room off of the butterfly garden area. Program rooms are generally adequately supplied with accessible materials to support program activities. The center includes two restroom areas located near the building entrance/hallway area, a restroom area off of the butterfly garden area, and a restroom area off of the rabbits burrow room. Program rooms include hand washing sinks with the exception of the birds nest room. Children from the frog pond room would travel for all toileting activities. Children from the birds nest area travel for all toileting and hand washing activity. The rabbits burrow and butterfly garden rooms room include a diaper station within the program room. All program space was observed.

Breakfast, lunch, and snack are provided at this center. The center does participate in the CACFP. The center employs a cook and now mostly prepares meals on site in the center's kitchen area; however, some items may still be cooked at the downtown Davenport YMCA site and brought to the center.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The on-site supervisor for this program is qualified and continues to be managing the program quite well. Staff were observed to be engaged with the children in activities, and staff appear to work well together. Program rooms include accessible materials and plenty of wall postings at the children's level. The outdoor area has been certified by Nature Explore as an outdoor classroom. The center is in the process of reapplying for the highest level QRS rating, five stars. The center has added aspects to the outdoor classroom such as a "mud kitchen", stage area, and music area.

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

109.10(3): Medications.

Medications present with authorizations missing the specific beginning and ending dates for the period of authorization. Emergency medications present without emergency action plan signed by the child's doctor.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade. 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. Ensure spray bottles are used for their designated location. Diaper station bottles shall be labeled for this location only and not be used for any other function. This has been noted more than once previously. Store diaper station spray bottles separate from the the other spray bottles in the rabbit's burrow room.
- 2. Review diaper changing procedures to ensure that staff wash hands after they finish cleaning and disinfecting the diaper station
- 3. Diaper station surface needs to be replaced in the rabbit's burrow room as it can no longer be properly cleaned and disinfected.
- 4. Kitchen area should be using the sanitizing solution and not the disinfecting solution.

109.12(5)d: Hard surface toys sanitized daily.

This is a requirement for the rabbit's burrow room as this room is an infant room.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Diaper station surface in the butterfly garden room will need to be monitored. It is likely this will need to be replaced in the near future, and the center should plan for this.
- 2. Store all toilet plungers in hard surface container.
- 3. Diaper changing procedure posting is needed at diaper station in the butterfly garden room.
- 4. Ensure kitchen door remains closed at all times so children can not access this room at any time.
- 5. Ensure all hand washing is supervised to ensure children follow procedures. Staff should not tear paper towels for children unless staff's hands are clean.
- 6. Consultation provided regarding meal time transition. Staff should ensure children go right to the table and remain seated after washing hands. Keep children away from tables that have been prepared for food service until they have washed their hands. Ensure children sit in chairs at tables that meet their size. Consider smaller serving utensils in some cases, and food should not be uncovered and children should not begin passing food until staff are seated at the table with them and ready to supervise this activity.
- 7. Center will need to ensure they have parent permission to release children to all pick up persons including children who are picked up by a transportation service.
- 8. Electric carbon monoxide detector is needed plugged in on the stage level of the building.
- 9. Improve food storage to ensure all open food items are stored in a sealed container or ziploc and then dated for freshness.
- 10. Closely monitor deep freezer in kitchen as it appeared too warm at the time of observation. It was noted that the door may not have been closed properly.

The center will remain with a full license. The center is directed to correct the items listed in Section IV 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. 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.