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

Name of Center: Yellow Brick Road ECDC - N Grimes **Enrollment:** 69 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51828

Street: 1901 N James ST **City:** Grimes Iowa **Zip** 50111 **County:** Polk

Mailing Address: 1901 N James ST, Grimes, IA, 50111

Director's Name: Kacie Harms **Phone Number:** 515-986-2292

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** kacie.harms@ybrecdc.org

Date(s) of Visit: 03-13-2024

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:** 03-07-2024

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

Date Inspected: 11-18-2023

Comments : Johnston-Grimes-Metropolitan Fire Department

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: 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	20	18	56	30	124
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 04-01-2024 to 04-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 03-18-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This daycare opened in June 2022. Kylie Schrader and Jessica Johnson are the owners. They own several other daycares in this area as well as daycares in other states. The center is located in a single standing building. There is a secured entrance. The center serves children ages infancy through preschool age. Kacie Harms, Regional Director, is currently acting as director of this center.

An unannounced visit was completed today. Mandatory postings are in place at the center's entrance. Classrooms had schedules and lesson plans posted. Classrooms are supplied with age appropriate furnishings, toys and materials. Children's art work is displayed in classrooms. Funny Daffer is the learning curriculum used by the center. Kangeroo Time is the app used by this daycare.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject HHS licensing were reviewed. Kacie Harms, Regional Director and current director of this center, was present and assisted with today's visit.

There were eight infants present today. Two staff were working in this room. The 1's classroom "Wobblers" had eight toddlers present. Two staff were working in this classroom. The 2's class "Exploring Preschool" had six children present. There were two staff working in this room. The 3's classroom "Preschool" had seven children present. One staff was working with this group. The 4/5's class "PreK" class had seventeen children present. Three staff were working in this classroom. Children were observed in their classrooms and on the playground. Children were observed doing individual and group activities. Staffs' interactions with the children were observed to be positive throughout the visit.

The center has a full kitchen. There is a cook on staff. The center serves morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack. Menus are on a monthly rotation. There were some snacks that didn't have two credible foods being served. This was a repeat violation for today's visit.

The center has two playground areas, one playground used children ages six months to two years and other for the older children. The young children's playground has rubber turf for surfacing. The playground used by older children has wood mulch for surfacing. This playground has a few climbing structures. The center completes monthly playground checks. There is fencing around the playgrounds.

The center doesn't provide transportation. The school provides busing services.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Classrooms are well supplied with age appropriate furnishings, toys and supplies. The owners have a lot of experience in the child care field. Playgrounds have had some updates.

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

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
A few children's files need updated physicals.

109.15(1): Center shall serve each child a full, nutritionally balanced meal as defined by CACFP guidelines.Staff shall provide supervision at table during snacks and meals.Children at center two hours or longer shall be offered food of not less than two hours and no more than three hours apart unless child is asleep.
Some snacks being served do not have two credible food items.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

The center has a full license.

*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.