

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

Name of Center: Y's Kids at Kingsley **Enrollment:** 43 **License ID No. (Reapplications):** 46511

Street: 201 Sunset Road **City:** Waterloo **Iowa Zip:** 50701 **County:** Black Hawk

Mailing Address: 425 Lafayette St, Waterloo, IA, 50702

Director's Name: Rachel Scott & Mindy Sternhagen **Phone Number:** 319-610-4518

On-Site Supervisor(s): Morgan Heims & Alexis Clough **E-Mail:** ywcakids@ywcabhc.org

Date(s) of Visit: 11-02-2018

Licensing Visit **Unannounced Visit** **Off Year Visit** **Administrative Change**

LICENSING VISITS

New Application **Re-Application** **NA**

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

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

Date Inspected: 12-22-2015

Comments :

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

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

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

Program Serves: **Infants (0-23 mo.)** **2 Years** **Preschool-Age** **School-Age**

Get-Well **Evening Care** **Special Needs**

SCHEDULE: **Year-round** **School-Year** **Summer Only**

HOURS:	<u>Year-round</u>	<u>School-Year</u>	<u>Summer Only</u>		
LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	0	0	0	60	60
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 12-01-2017 to 12-01-2019
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCACTION of license

Licensing Consultant: Becky Frost

Date: 11-28-2018

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

On 11/02/18 I made an unannounced off year licensing visit to Y's Kids at Kingsley Elementary in Waterloo. I met with Morgan Heims, one of the on-site supervisors. Alexis Clough is an additional on-site supervisor. Rachel Scott and Mindy Sternhagen are the co-directors for the program. Ms. Scott has been with the center since 2000 and has previous child care experience. Ms. Scott has a BA in biology and philosophy. Ms. Sternhagen has been with the program since 2002. She has a BA in Elementary Education and her CDA. The program has two employees present in the morning and two are present in the afternoon.

The program is located in Kingsley Elementary. They primarily operate out of the cafeteria and gym. The before and after school program operates Monday through Friday from 6:30-8:30 am and 3:40-6:00 pm. The program serves children who are in Kindergarten through fifth grade. There are currently 43 children enrolled.

The cafeteria and gym are open spaces that allow for free play and organized activities. There is some natural lighting in the cafeteria. Artificial lighting is used in the gym. The centers observed include art, library, blocks, games, table toys, and transportation. Centers are stored in a large closet in the gym.

I visited the program during the morning hours. The program was in ratio.

The children use two bathrooms in the hallway. The girl's bathroom has two toilets and a birdbath sink and the boy's bathroom has one toilet, one urinal and a birdbath sink. Handwashing procedures were posted. There are additional bathrooms located in the school.

The program has a cell phone they use and emergency numbers were programmed in the phone. The programs address and phone numbers were available in the staff binder. Emergency fire and tornado procedures were posted by the main program door in the cafeteria and gym. A daily schedule was posted. An activity calendar was available for review.

I reviewed documentation of monthly fire and tornado drills. I reviewed documentation of playground inspections. Radon testing, a fuel burning inspection and a carbon monoxide detector are not necessary because the program is exempt from environmental assessments as a before and after school-age program located in a public school building. Outlets were protected. The fire marshal inspection occurred on 12/22/15.

The program offers breakfast and an afternoon snack to the children. Menus were posted. There is a refrigerator in the storage room and a thermometer was present. Snacks were stored according to NHSPS guidelines.

Children were sent to the bathroom unsupervised. Staff members must position themselves so they can see the children walk to the bathroom and in the program room. Staff members must maintain visual supervision. I observed the children eat breakfast and the table was cleaned and sanitized appropriately. However, staff members should not allow a child to sit in a spot at the table where a child has already eaten unless it has been cleaned and sanitized again.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The YWCA has a good working relationship with the school. They have good communication with one another.

The program meets a need for parents who require care for their children before and after school.

The program is a leader in the field of inclusive childcare.

The program serves a diverse population. They serve children with different ethnic backgrounds, abilities, economic status and social abilities.

Staff members were observed to have terrific interaction with the children during my visit.

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

109.10(16)a: The center and supervisor shall ensure that staff knows names and number of children assigned. Staff shall provide careful supervision.

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109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Adequate indoor and outdoor space is provided. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade. Sufficient space provided for dining. Sufficient lighting shall be provided. Sufficient ventilation. Sufficient heating. sufficient cooling. Sufficient bathroom and diapering facilities. Equipment, including kitchen appliances, are maintained so as not to result in burns, shock, or injury to children. 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.

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V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is issued. All DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 319-292-2429; email rfrost@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.

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