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

Name of Center: Kids & Company-Longfellow **Enrollment:** 59 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 7211

Street: 2011 S 10th St **City:** Council Bluffs Iowa **Zip** 51501 **County:** Pottawattamie

Mailing Address: 300 W Broadway Ste 212, Council Bluffs, IA, 51503

Director's Name: Molly Stogdill **Phone Number:** 712-256-6876

On-Site Supervisor(s): Samantha Townsend **E-Mail:** mstogdill@cbsf.org

Date(s) of Visit: 01-13-2025

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

Date Inspected: 08-21-2024

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: 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			9	100	109
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 05-01-2024 to 05-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans **Date:** 01-21-2025

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced off year licensing visit was made to Longfellow Kids and Company on 1-13-2025, the center is a non-profit before and after school program for preschool and school age children located in Longfellow Elementary School. Full day child care is provided on in service days and during the summer. Programs are consolidated for in service days and summer child care (Full day hours 7:00 am to 5:30). Molly Stogdill became the director in May 2022. Samantha Townsend continues to be the on-site supervisor, she has worked for Kids & Company for over twenty years. I met with Samantha during my licensing visit. There are 59 children enrolled in the program.

Observation of room:
The program uses the cafeteria for programming. The program also uses the gym and playground. There were 34 children with 5 staff present. The children were having fun playing in the activity centers and having a snack. The staff had excellent interactions with the children, they were positive and attentive to the needs of the children.
The center had lesson plans/activities.
The center uses the Brightwheel child care app.

Nutrition:
The daily snack is provided by the school. On in service days the children bring their lunch. During the summer they are at a site that provides the free breakfast/lunch program. The program is on the federal food program. The monthly menu was posted. The refrigerator/freezer had thermometers, proper food storage was observed.

Health and safety:
Monthly fire/tornado drills are practiced and documented. The program has a carbon monoxide detector.
Purell Surface is used for sanitizing, the three step sanitizing procedure is used.
Since you are in a school the Department of Education is responsible for radon testing. Make sure you have a current fuel burning inspection/boiler inspections.
The center follows medication management procedures when a child is prescribed medication - two children are prescribed medication on an as needed basis.
The center has their emergency policies and procedures in the red folder, make sure you review each policy and procedure with all staff on a regular basis.

Playground:
The program uses the school playground. Monthly playground inspections were completed.

Transportation:
The program doesn't provide daily transportation services.

Administration records:
Child files were read - one preschool age file needs a current physical.
Staff files were reviewed on a previous date at the administrative office and were in good order.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Samantha was very helpful during my licensing visit, she has over twenty years of experience.

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.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for 5-1-2024 to 5-1-2026.
Off year licensing visit 1-13-2025.

*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.