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

Name of Center: Oralabor KinderCare **Enrollment:** 81 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 50977

Street: 225 SW Oralabor RD **City:** Ankeny Iowa **Zip** 50023 **County:** Polk

Mailing Address: 225 SW Oralabor RD, Ankeny, IA, 50023

Director's Name: Sydney Drexler **Phone Number:** 515-963-9095

On-Site Supervisor(s): Melissa Waybright **E-Mail:** Sydney.Drexler@kindercare.com

Date(s) of Visit: 05-01-2024

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:** 05-01-2024

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

Date Inspected: 10-26-2023

Comments :

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 X NAEYC NSACA Other 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	32	24	48	30	134
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 06-01-2024 to 06-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant **Date:** 05-03-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Oralabor KinderCare opened in July 2020. The daycare is located in a single standing building is owned by KinderCare Corporation. The building has a secured entrance. The daycare provides child care services to children ages infancy through school age. Sydney Drexler is the director of the center. Sydney was a director at a previous KinderCare prior to coming to this center. Melissa Waybright is the one site supervisor.

An unannounced visit was completed on today's date. All areas subject to HHS licensing standards and rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place at the entrance of the building. Lesson plans and schedules are posted outside of classrooms. Diaper changing procedures are posted where required. Handwashing posters are posted in bathrooms. Classrooms are well furnished with age appropriate furnishings, learning materials and toys. Classrooms have defined, labeled learning centers. Children's art work is displayed in hallways and the classrooms.

Sydney was present today. She assisted with today's visit. The center has seven classrooms in operation. Infant 1 class had eight infants present. Two staff were working in this class. Infant 2 had four infants present. One staff was working with this group. Toddler 1 had four children present. Toddler 2 had three children present. One staff was working in each toddler classroom. Discovery Preschool (2's) classroom had fourteen children present. Two staff were working in this classroom. Preschool (3's and 4's) had sixteen children present. Two staff were working with this group. The PreK class had fifteen children, combined ages of four through five years old. Two of the children were four years, thirteen children were five years old. Two staff were working with the PreK class. Children were observed during lunch, child directed activities and some large group, staff led activities.

The center's menu is planned by KinderCare's corporate office. The center has a warming kitchen. The kitchen is neat and food storage is sufficient. The center serves breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. Lunch served today was chicken tacos with lettuce and cheese, corn. Menus are posted and reflect CACFP requirements are being followed except the center has been serving whole milk in all classrooms. This worker told Sydney whole milk is only served to children under the age of two. Sydney said she would change this practice.

The center has separate playgrounds for the age groups. The playgrounds have surfacing material and have fencing. There are some smaller climbing structures. The center have a nice amount of outdoor activities for children's use available. Playground checks are completed by staff.

The center owns vans. The center doesn't take off site field trips but does provide school transportation.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

KinderCare Corporation provides a lot of support to their centers by providing menus, lesson plans and curriculums for all classrooms. The classrooms are well furnished with age appropriate learning and play materials. The center has NAEYC accreditation.

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

109.9(1)d: All files contain a pre-employment physical exam report completed within six months prior to hire and at least every three years. Physical exams shall be documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report.
One staff hasn't completed a physical in the required time frame. One staff didn't have a physical in her file.

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.
The center has been serving whole milk to all the children at the center. Whole milk is only to be served to children under the age of two.

109.9(2)g: Any child with allergies, a written emergency plan. Copy shall accompany child if they leave the premises.
One child has a current prescription for an inhaler but the emergency action plan hasn't been updated since January 2023.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

This 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 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.

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