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

Name of Center: Little Clippers Child Development Center **Enrollment:** 118 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 28603

Street: 809 Buck St Ste B **City:** Tiffin Iowa **Zip** 52340 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 809 Buck St Ste B, Tiffin, IA, 52340

Director's Name: Amanda Rairden and Jenni Wombacher **Phone Number:** 319-545-4033

On-Site Supervisor(s): Bailey Ackman **E-Mail:** littleclippers@southslope.net

Date(s) of Visit: 12-12-2024

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:** 07-26-2024

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

Date Inspected: 07-19-2024

Comments : Does Comply.

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	52	34	26	30	142
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 07-29-2024 to 02-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 12-25-2024

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at Little Clippers Child Development Center on 12/12/2024 for an annual visit. The fire inspection was completed on 7/19/2024. The center is for profit. The center serves infants to school aged children. The center is open year around. The hours of operation are 7:00am to 5:30pm. Their current enrollment is 118.

The directors are Amanda Rairden and Jenni Wombacher. Amanda has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. She started the center in 2009. Jennie has an Associate's in Liberal Arts. Jennie started in 4/2010.

The onsite supervisor is Bailey Ackman. Bailey has an Associate's Degree in Human Services. S She started in 2015

This worker observed all programming space in the center and outdoor area to ensure that the environment was safe, sanitary and hazard free. The center is located inside of a commercial building. They utilize 9 classrooms, offices, staff break room, storage space and a kitchen.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed including handwashing, medication management, appropriate cleaning/sanitizing/disinfecting, excluding ill children/staff, incident reports, and first aid kits.

Nutritional practices and food safety were observed. The center provides breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack.

This worker reviewed required postings. This worker checked staff files and child files. The licensing notebook including emergency drills, first aid supplies, playground checklist, radon testing, HVAC testing and policies were reviewed.

The center does communicate with parents via: ProCare.

The center utilizes Creative Curriculum.

The center does offer field trip for school aged children during the summer. They go to the Kernels Game, Lost Island, parks, swimming, art museum and fire station.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center recently relocated to a brand new building. All classrooms have an interior and exterior exit. All classrooms, hallways, and outdoor areas have video cameras.
-The center has staff on TEACH and WAGES.
-The center uses Procare. This allows for daily sheets, instant messaging between staff/lead teachers, assessments, payments, pictures, check in and check out.
-The center has Lions Club Iowa Kid Sight complete vision screenings.
-Staff and child files were in full compliance.

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

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-The center must ensure that choking hazards are inaccessible to the children.
-The center must ensure that plastic bags and diaper sleeves are stored inaccessible to the children.
-The center must ensure that cleaning supplies are stored inaccessible to the children.
-The center is strongly encouraged to add additional storage in the restroom. Clothing, diapers, etc. should not be stored on the floor to prevent items being contaminated.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period. As a director, on-site supervisor, or child care staff it is vital that you know and understand all licensing standards and procedures. The licensing regulation checklist can be found by visiting: https://iowaccrr.org/resources/files/BGP/71%20Licensing_Chklist_3940.pdf

This worker will conduct at least one unannounced visit each year. This worker encourages you to establish a working relationship with your local Child Care Resource Consultant (CCR&R) and your local Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC).

Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) provides professional development and consultation services that support the child care business's ability to achieve and maintain regulatory status in good standing and work to achieve and maintain performance at higher quality levels in Iowa's Quality Rating and Improvement. To find your center's CCR&R consultant visit: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/

Healthy Child Care Iowa is a statewide publicly funded program to improve the health and safety of children while they are enrolled in child care and early education settings. Child care nurse consultants are registered nurses who provide consultation, training, and technical assistance on health and safety
policies, health programs, health of personnel, and specific child health or safety issues. To find your center's CCNC consultant visit: https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/child-care/hcci

*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.