

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

**Name of Center:** Lo-Ma Kid Care **Enrollment:** 120 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 14175

**Street:** 1200 N 2nd AVE **City:** Logan **Iowa Zip** 51546 **County:** Harrison

**Mailing Address:** 1200 N 2nd AVE, Logan, IA, 51546

**Director's Name:** Tom Ridder **Phone Number:** 712-644-2168

**On-Site Supervisor(s):** Vicki Placek, Taylor Mikels **E-Mail:** tridder@lomaschools.org

**Date(s) of Visit:** 01-23-2019

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

**Date Inspected:** 02-04-2017

**Comments :**

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

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

**Accreditation:** 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:	<u>Year-round</u>		<u>School-Year</u>	<u>Summer Only</u>	
LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General			70	30	100
Summer					0

**QRS Rating:** N/A

<b>RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:</b>	
X	<b>FULL</b> license from 01-01-2018 to 01-01-2020
	<b>PROVISIONAL</b> license from
	<b>DENIAL</b> of initial application
	<b>SUSPENSION</b> of license
	<b>REVOCATION</b> of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans

Date: 01-24-2019

## 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 LO-MA Kid Care on 1-23-2019. The program is located in the Logan-Magnolia School in Logan Iowa. The center became licensed on January 1, 2016. The center provides before and after school child care for preschool to school age children, preschool programming and wrap around child care for the preschool children. The before and after school program provides full day child care during the summer, in service days and holiday breaks. Tom Ridder is the director, he is the principal of the school, Vicki Placek is the on-site supervisor for the before and after school program and Taylor Mikels is the on-site supervisor for the preschool program. There are three preschool teachers, Katie, Taylor and Jodi. Vicki started the before and after school program twenty six years ago. There are one hundred twenty children enrolled in the center.

I met with Vicki and Katie during my licensing visit, (Taylor was gone on the day of my visit).

### Observation of rooms:

The program rooms were in ratio. The rooms looked great and have a fun variety of age and developmentally appropriate equipment and supplies. The preschool program uses Creative Curriculum for the three year olds and Creative Curriculum Gold for the four/five year olds, each teacher prepares their own lesson plans/activities.

The before and after school program is located in the commons/cafe area, they also use the gym.

Vicki develops the lesson plans/activities for the different age groups of children. During the summer the children take field trips i.e. swimming and library.

The wrap around child care program is located in the Panther room, Lisa is the head teacher their hours are 7:30 am to 4:30 pm, if children are still at the program at 4:30 they are taken to the before and after school program.

### Nutrition:

The program doesn't participate in the federal food program. Even though you don't participate in the federal food program you are required to meet the CACFP guidelines. The program provides a daily snack for the children. When the child attend full day programming through the before and after school they are responsible for bringing their own lunch and they are stored in the refrigerator. There are thermometers in the refrigerator/freezers.

Monthly menus were posted.

### Health and Safety:

The medication management procedures are followed when children are prescribed medications and the med log is used. The supervisors work with the school nurse for administering medication during school hours. If medications are required after school hours Vicki will set up a plan.

Fire/tornado drills are practiced and documented on a monthly basis.

Seven radon tests were completed in October 2017, all of the test results were under a 4.0 pCi/L. Radon testing is required every two years. (If test scores are over a 4.0 pCi/L retesting and possible mitigation is required)

The center has carbon monoxide detectors.

The annual fuel burning inspection (boiler inspection) was completed.

The program rooms use Bleach Germicidal Cleaner for sanitizing the food surface tables in their rooms. Make sure all rooms are using the soap/water bottle for cleaning and then a water bottle for rinsing before they sanitize. The Bleach

Germicidal Cleaner has a three minute dwell time. Katie reported that the child care nurse consultant approved the Bleach Germicidal Cleaner for sanitizing the food surface tables.

**Playground:**

The program uses the school playground.

Katie reported that they received a grant for playground equipment, that will be installed in the spring of 2019.

**Transportation:**

The child care program doesn't provide transportation services.

**Administrative records:**

Vicki has staff meetings and maintains daily contact with her staff.

Taylor meets with the preschool teachers, Mr. Ridder and the literacy coach.

**III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:**

The children were observed in each program room having fun in a variety of activities.

Staff are always so pleasant and helpful.

Staff had wonderful interactions with the children in all program rooms, they were nurturing, having fun with the children and involved in programming.

Your program is a wonderful resource for the school and community.

On 8-2-2017 preschool programming and wrap around child care services were added to the Lo-Ma Kid Care license. There are three preschool rooms and the wrap around child care room/Panther room.

**New in 2018**

Katie reported that they have received grant funding for playground equipment.

The center began participating in the Quality Rating System (QRS) in the spring of 2018, they are a level IV.

Jodi Davis is a new preschool teacher.

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

109.6(6)c: Center repeats Iowa record checks at a minimum of every two years or when aware of additional child abuse or criminal history that occurs.

109.6(6)d: Center repeats national criminal history checks at a minimum of every four years or when aware of additional history that occurs.

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.

109.9(2)b: All files contain sufficient information and authorization to allow the center to secure emergency medical and dental services at any time child is in center's care.

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, 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 1-1-2018 to 1-1-2020.

Off year licensing visit 1-23-2019.

\*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.