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

**Name of Center:** Kids Kampus Community Childcare **Enrollment:** 64 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 18475

**Street:** 210 Main Street **City:** Guttenberg Iowa **Zip** 52052 **County:** Clayton

**Mailing Address:** PO Box 368, Guttenberg, IA, 52052

**Director's Name:** Raynelle Burr **Phone Number:** 563-252-3934

**On-Site Supervisor(s):** Nicki Isaacson **E-Mail:** kidskampus@alpinecom.net

**Date(s) of Visit:** 04-22-2025

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

**Date Inspected:** 05-28-2024

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

Get-Well Evening Care X Special Needs

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

| **HOURS:** | *Year-round* | *School-Year* | *Summer Only* |
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| LICENSE CAPACITY | Infants | 2 Years | Preschool | School-Age | Capacity |
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| General | 10 | 12 | 10 | 15 | 47 |
| Summer | | | | | 0 |

**QRS Rating:** 1

| RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE: | |
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| 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:** Becky Frost **Date:** 06-02-2025

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

N/A

**II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:**

On 04/22/25 I made an unannounced off year licensing visit to Kids Kampus Community Childcare in Guttenberg. I met with Raynelle Burr, the director. Ms. Burr became the director in February 2020. Ms. Burr started with the program in October 2006 and has obtained her CDA. She has completed the National Administrators Credential (NAC) training. The program employs twelve employees.

The program is in a free-standing building. The center operates Monday through Friday 6:00 am until 6:30 pm and serves infants through school-aged children. There are currently 64 children enrolled. The program has an IQ4K level of 1 that expires on 12/31/25.

The program operates out of five rooms: infants, birth to 12 months (red room), 12-24 months (green room), two-year-olds (orange room), preschool (blue room) and school-age children this summer (purple room). An inspection of each room was completed. Windows are available to provide natural lighting in all the rooms except for the two-year-old room. Artificial lighting is used in this room. The rooms and hallways are decorated with the children's art projects. The rooms have posters to assist the children with the learning process, such as the shapes, colors and numbers. The children's birthdays were posted. There is an area for circle time in the preschool and two-year-old room.

The centers observed on the day of the licensing visit include library, Lego/blocks, table toys, games, puzzles, transportation, computers, art, dramatic play, writing, puppets, math, science/discovery, woodworking, and music. Centers were arranged in a manner that allowed easy movement between activities, but it also allowed for clear supervision by staff members. Materials were in good condition. The materials are located at child level, so they were easily accessible to the children.

A variety of resources are used to develop lesson plans. Each teacher develops their own lesson plans. They length of the theme depends on the topic and the children's interest level. Lesson plans were available for review in every room.

There was a phone with emergency numbers with the center's phone number and address in the classrooms. Emergency fire and tornado procedures and evacuation diagrams were posted by the main program doors and outdoor exits. A daily schedule was posted in most rooms. Please post a daily schedule in the Orange room.

The program participates in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). The center provides the children with breakfast, lunch and a morning and afternoon snack. Meals are made on site. Joanne Wilker is the cook. She has been with the program since 2004. Ms. Wilker makes a new menu each week. Menus were posted. Allergies were posted. Family style is not used.

The kitchen has a sink to use the three-step method and a dishwasher to wash dishes. There is a refrigerator in the kitchen and a refrigerator, upright freezer and a chest freezer in the staff room and thermometers were present in all locations. Food items were stored according to NHSPS guidelines.

In the infant room the center provides one brand of formula, baby food and cereal. Bottles are sent to the kitchen to be washed.

The center uses bleach to sanitize the food tables and disinfect the changing tables.

I observed or discussed diaper changes in the infant and one year old room and procedures were followed.

Daily sheets are being maintained in the Playground app. Every room uses the app to keep parents informed of how their child's day went.

Cribs are used to nap in the infant and one year old room and cots are used to nap for the older children.

I reviewed documentation of monthly fire and tornado drills. I reviewed documentation of monthly playground inspections. A radon test was completed in May 2022 and must be repeated in two years. Results were within EPA guidelines. Ms. Burr has kits and will do radon testing yet this month. The annual fuel burning inspection was completed and no concerns were noted. A carbon monoxide detector was on site and is in the kitchen. Outlets were protected. The fire marshal inspection occurred on 05/28/24.

The parent information is located on a bulletin board inside the entrance. The mandatory reporter information, the childcare consultant and the handbook availability are posted. The license was conspicuously hung. A no-smoking sign was posted at the entrance. There are also resources in the entrance for parents.

The center has a fenced in playground. Rubber mulch is used for surface cushioning. There is climbing equipment with slides and a tunnel. There are push toys, riding toys with helmets, and a concrete area with a basketball hoop. There are playhouses in the area and a sand table. There is an awning to provide shade. There is also a large container full of outdoors toys for the children. There is a picnic table and a bench.

Staff members had great teamwork. Ms. Burr checks on the rooms regularly. Staff members kept the children occupied as they waited to eat. Staff members read books and sang with the children. They were nurturing when children were upset. They provided the children with a consistent routine. They were nurturing when children were upset. The modeled good manners and provided the children with praise. In the Orange room, the lead teacher color codes the plates, silverware and glasses so the children know what belongs to them. This is a great idea. Staff members took the children outside for gross motor play. The children appeared to enjoy their time at the center.

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

The program has an IQ4K level of 1 that expires on 12/31/25.

Ms. Burr states the board is supportive. The center received a grant for technology and the board did all the research.

Ms. Burr states she has really good staff.

Ms. Burr states one staff member is going for their CDA and is using the TEACH program.

Ms. Burr states they have a good group of parents. They help with the center fundraisers.

The center is in a secured building and there are cameras outside the building and in the hallways.

As I state every year, Ms. Burr is a fabulous director. She continues to work hard to make the center a safe and nurturing environment for the children. She is dedicated and goes above and beyond for the families and staff members.

Ms. Burr states that Ms. Isaacson is doing a great job in the on-site supervisor role. She is a great help with administrative tasks.

Ms. Burr routinely works with Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R).

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

N/A

**V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:**

A full license is issued for the remainder of the licensing period. 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 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.