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

Name of Center: Spirit Lake Y Kids **Enrollment:** 45 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 29244

Street: 2901 Hill AVE **City:** Spirit Lake Iowa **Zip** 51360 **County:** Dickinson

Mailing Address: Camp Foster YMCA INC1900 41st ST, Spirit Lake, IA, 51360

Director's Name: Andrew Fisher **Phone Number:** 712-330-0212

On-Site Supervisor(s): Jacey Soat **E-Mail:** andrew.fisher@okobojiymca.com

Date(s) of Visit: 05-12-2023

Licensing Visit **Unannounced Visit** X **Off Year Visit** **Administrative Change**

LICENSING VISITS

New Application X **Re-Application** **NA**

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 05-17-2022

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

Date Inspected: 01-20-2021

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 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				73	73
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 06-01-2022 to 06-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Jana Drew **Date:** 05-23-2023

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Visited the center on 05-12-23 and spoke with Jacey Soat new onsite supervisor as Kyle Johnson resigned. Jacey has been with the program for a year and has an Associates of Arts degree in Recreation & Leisure Management. Spirit Lake Y Kids is an before/after school/summer program located in Spirit Lake elementary school. The program utilizes 2 lunch rooms(which they sperate older kids from the younger kids) and the gym. The program is operated by the Bedell Family YMCA organization Monday through Friday 6:00am to 8:30am & 3:00pm to 6:00pm. The summer program operates 6am to 6pm. The program serves Pre-k and school age children up to age 12. Staff meet people at the door to gain access to the program. Summer program serves children ages Kindergarten to 5th grade. Summer program starts 05-22-23 and will run until school starts in August.

There are 45 children enrolled in the program. At the time of the visit there were 12 kids present. All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review. The center continues in following all guidelines put forth by DHS regarding the corona-virus. The center continues to cleaning toys that children use. This is a recreation based program. During this visit observed the children participating in the following activities: Group activities as well as individual self-directed activities are available to the children. Children have access to bathrooms. Daily schedule of activities was posted. Sufficient amount of equipment and toys for the children. Observed the staff conversing with the children, explaining rules to the children and assisting children with activities. Staff had good interaction with the children.
The summer program will do field trips 1x per week with various community activities and will swim at the YMCA 2x week. Otherwise activities at the site.

Center Nutrition Practices Observed
The Y provides snacks and school system provides milk. Program follows CACFP guidelines for nutrition. During the summer the program provides breakfast and snacks, then the children are bused to the Bedell YMCA for lunch as the YMCA provides lunch at that building.

Center Health & Safety
Center currently has prn for meds for a child which staff has med management training to administer. First aid kit is sufficient to treat minor injuries. Fire/tornado drills are documented each month. Good sanitary procedures are followed. Program areas appear well maintained and free of any observable health or safety hazards. The school provided Radon inspection which was in normal range. However, the program will need to get the annual furnace inspection from the school.

Center Playground
The center utilizes the Spirit Lake elementary school playground. Playground has climbing equipment and slides. Playground is inspected by the school, however the program also does playground inspections. Shade is available on the playground. . They also utilize the large gym.

Center Transportation Arrangements/Field Trips
The program does not do field trips during the school year. During the summer program the program uses the RIDES transit instead of using the YMCA bus to transport kids to field trips or to YMCA for lunch.

Center Administrative Records
All the required postings were visible, however reminded staff to set out to where parents can see. Staff files are kept at the Bedell YMCA program. Four staff records reviewed and one staff was missing something. The six children's files reviewed were
missing two items. The center's discipline practices consist of talking to the children.

Goals of the program are to is to continue looking at improving a structure program for kids as well have more qualified staff. Get on the IQ4K program.

Strengths of the program as staff have good communication with the children and their families. The program mirrors the rules of the school district to help with consistency for the kids they serve knowing the program expectations. Parents also like that the program are apart of the school and the children remain at school.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The staff interacted with the children in a positive manner.

All program areas appear well maintained.

The program sends out weekly flyers of activities during the summer.

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

109.9(1)b: All files contain:A signed copy of DHS criminal history record check or any other permission form approved by the Department of public Safety for conducting an Iowa or national criminal history check. A copy of Request for Child Abuse Information.Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted.Copies of national criminal history check results.Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.
Number not in compliance: 1

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.
Number not in compliance: 2

109.11(7)c: All centers: Annual inspection prior to heating season of all fuel-burning appliances to reduce risk of carbon monoxide poisoning and shall install one carbon monoxide detector on each floor that conforms to UL Standard 2034.

109.15(5)a: Sufficient refrigeration is provided appropriate to perishable food.
Additional concerns: need thermometer in refrigerator

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff files are located at the main Bedell Family YMCA building.

Please provide a email to consultant correcting those aspects cited as not meeting licensing standards by 06-23-23.

A full license is recommended at this time at this time.

At least one visit will be made to the center during the next year.

*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.