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

Name of Center: Beyond the Bell-Irving **Enrollment:** 41 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 30472

Street: 901 Floyd Blvd **City:** Sioux City Iowa **Zip** 51105 **County:** Woodbury

Mailing Address: 2500 Glenn Ave Ste 78, Sioux Citiy, IA, 51106

Director's Name: Jenna Andrews **Phone Number:** 712-227-3600

On-Site Supervisor(s): Jenny Orazco **E-Mail:** jandrews@siouxlandship.org

Date(s) of Visit: 05-13-2024

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:** 03-02-2023

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

Date Inspected: 07-13-2023

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: Year-round X School-Year Summer Only

HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General				95	95
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 05-01-2023 to 05-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Jana Drew **Date:** 05-16-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Visited center on 05-13-24 and spoke with lead worker Laura Topete as onsite supervisor Jenny Orazco was not present. Ms Orazco has been with the Beyond the Bell program for several years and oversees several Beyond the Bell sites. At times they may also use the school for their summer program.

Irving Beyond the Bell is a before and after school program located in the lunchroom, and gym at Irving Elementary in Sioux City. The program is available M-F 6:30am-8:30am, Mondays 2:30pm-6pm & T-F 3:30pm-6pm . The program is owned & operated by Beyond the Bell organization. There is a buzzer outside the building to get into the school and the Beyond the Bell program. Staff meet people at the door to allow access to the program. Center uses the Playground App to assist in signing children in/out of the program, communicate with parents, as well as some administrative paperwork. Programming takes place primarily in the lunch room. The center also uses the computer lab and the playground. Jenna Andrews is the director of the program but was not present at the time of the visit. At times the program will also use this location for their summer program.

There are 41 children enrolled in the program, They have roughly 25 children in the morning and around 30 in the afternoon. All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review. The center has been cleaning toys that children use. Sufficient amount of toys and equipment for the number of children. Staff files will be reviewed at another date as staff files are at the main office. The program has had some staff turnover. The program was out of ratio for about an hour. Discussion was made in regards to ensure ratio is maintained at all times. The program's school year will end on 05-22-24. The program will resume when school starts in the fall in August 2024.

Center Nutrition Practices Observed
Snacks and breakfast are provided through the Sioux City School system. The center stores left over snacks that are all individually
wrapped. Program follows CACFP guidelines for nutrition.

Center Health & Safety
Medications are stored in a lock box and out of reach of the children, however, at this time they have no children who are on any meds. First aid kit was complete. Fire/tornado drills need to be documented monthly. There were a few months that were not documented. Good sanitary procedures are followed. Program areas appear well maintained and free of any observable health or safety hazards. Good health and safety policies /procedures are in place. Reminder children need to wash hands prior to snack. Also, program was out of ratio for about an hour. It is improtant that ratio is maintained at all times.

Center Playground
The fenced-in school playground is located next to the building. The school system maintains the playground. They also use the gym when the weather is not conducive to being outside. There is a variety of climbing equipment , monkey bars, zip line, slides and basketball hoops on the playground. Rubber tiles surround the slides, monkey bars, zip line and climbing

equipment. Shade is available on the playground. Playground inspections were not available at the time of the visit.

Center Transportation Arrangements/Field Trips
They do field trip activities, however, only have done one this school year. When doing field trips they use the school bus to transport the children.
The site will not be hosting summer program for the 2024 summer season.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

This center uses a good variety of activities for the after school children.

This program is well organized.

Staff actively interact with the children.

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

109.8(2): Ratio maintained in center as required by age.

109.10(1)b: School-age (for children five years and older and enrolled in school): Annual statement of health status signed by parent is submitted prior to admission, certifies that the child is free of communicable disease, and lists allergies, medications and acute/chronic conditions.
Number not in compliance: 2

109.10(8): Children's hand washing: Center shall ensure staff assist children in personal hygiene. For each infant or child with a disability, a separate cloth for washing and one for rinsing may be used in place of running water. Children's hands shall be washed:Immediately before eating or participating in food service activity.After using the restroom or being diapered.After handling animals.

109.10(15)b: Emergency instructions, phone numbers, and diagrams for fire, tornado, and flood shall be visibly posted and documented at least once a month for fire and tornado. Records shall be maintained for current and previous year.

109.11(3)d: Record of monthly inspections of outdoor recreation area and equipment shall be kept.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Center needs to email consultant when all items that fall below standards have been updated and completed by 06-30-24 with the exception of being in ratio. Program needs to be within ratio at all times.

A full license is recommended 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.