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

Name of Center: Beyond the Bell-Holy Cross St Michael's Center **Enrollment:** 24 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 51171

Street: 4105 Harrison St **City:** Sioux City Iowa **Zip** 51108 **County:** Woodbury

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

Director's Name: Jenna Andrews **Phone Number:** 712-277-3600

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

Date(s) of Visit: 04-19-2024

X **Licensing Visit** **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:** 04-04-2024

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

Date Inspected: 09-08-2023

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				30	30
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 04-01-2024 to 04-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Jana Drew **Date:** 04-26-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Visited the center on 04-19-24 and spoke with Brooke Gilreath new lead worker as Dawn Borchers onsite was not present. Beyond the Bell Holy Cross is an after school program located in the Holy Cross elementary school. Beyond the Bell took this afterschool program beginning with this school year 2020 from the school. The program utilizes the gym and art room. The program is operated by the Beyond the Bell organization only in the afternoons Monday 2:30pm to 6pm, Tuesday through Friday 3:30pm to 6pm. The program serves children Preschool to 5th grade. 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 gain access to the program.

There are 24 children enrolled in the program. All areas of the program were observed. The areas observed consisted of classroom activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground/gym observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review. The center continues in cleaning toys that children use. The program uses the Playground app for administration duties.

The program divides the children up into two groups; PK to 2nd grade and 3rd to 5th grade and rotate them through the gym and art room throughout the day. The program has centers stored in totes in their storage area and set up different ones each day at tables in a classroom. The program has following activities/centers that they children can utilize: art, books, games, crafts, puzzles and legos. Children have access to bathrooms. Daily schedule of activities was posted. The program had sufficient amount of equipment and toys for the children. Staff files will be reviewed at a later date as they are located at the main office. There was a staff's purse to where children could reach. Staff's purse needs to be out of reach of children.

The Beyond the Bell provides snacks and milk. Program follows CACFP guidelines for nutrition. The children use tables for eating snacks. Center currently does not administer any medication. First aid kit is sufficient to treat minor injuries. Fire/tornado drills are documented each month.

The center has a large fenced-in playground that they share with Holy Cross elementary school. Playground has climbing equipment and slides. Woodchips surround the play equipment. Monthly playground completed. Shade is available on the playground. They also utilize the large gym. Radon was not available at the time of the visit. Annual furnace inspection also was not available at the time of the visit.

Center Transportation Arrangements/Field Trips
School bus if they do any fieldtrips however, they have not done any field trips for the last couple of years.

Goals of the program is to increase in numbers as well as return special clubs and activities back into the program.

Strengths of the program is that staff have a good relationship with the children/families and school.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The program uses the playground app.

Staff work well as a team.

Center sends home a newsletter each month to keep parents aware of what is going on in the program.

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.
A staff member's purse was in reach of children and needs to be put away.

109.11(7)b: Centers at ground level that use basement area as program space, or have a basement beneath program space: Testing and plan for remedy of radon is conducted.

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.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Please provide a written response that items needing corrected have been completed by 05-15-24.

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.