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

Name of Center: KinderCare Learning Center #0837 **Enrollment:** 110 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 20740

Street: 2108 E Locust ST **City:** Davenport Iowa **Zip** 52803 **County:** Scott

Mailing Address: 2108 E Locust ST, Davenport, IA, 52803

Director's Name: Emma Anderson **Phone Number:** 563-326-1660

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** 300837@klcorp.com

Date(s) of Visit: 03-10-2023

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

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

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

Date Inspected: 10-14-2020

Comments :

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

Financial Type: X Profit Non-Profit NA

Accredition: Accredited X NAEYC NSACA Other NA

Program Serves: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 2 Years X 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	37	17	43	28	125
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 4

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 03-01-2023 to 03-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Hungate **Date:** 03-30-2023

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced licensing visit was completed at this center on 3/10/23. The center director, Emma Anderson, was present along with other staff. Prior to directing this center, Emma previously worked at another KinderCare location for a number of years and is qualified with experience, education, and training. This KinderCare Learning Center is part of a larger corporation. There is a well-defined corporate organizational structure. This center serves children age six weeks to 12 years and does provide before and after school and non-school day care for school age children. Emma accompanied the licensing consultant throughout the majority of the visit. This center does not participate in the Iowa Voluntary Preschool Grant program.

This center operates in a building with a main and lower level, having nine separate program rooms/areas total. The center has the following program rooms on the main floor: Nursery/infant A (not in use on the day of the visit), infant B, toddler A, toddler B, 2s Room The center has the following program rooms on the lower level: Prek, preschool, school age/transitional kindergarten (tk), and now an "indoor rec space". It is noted that the "indoor rec space" removes some of the capacity of the school age/tk room which is now a combined room. The center director states that the children on the lower level combine in the rec space area after 5pm. Program rooms were bright and many were decorated with various projects the children had created. In many areas this also included photo displays of the children themselves engaged in the various activities. Rooms were arranged with various learning and interest centers, especially the preschool, prek, tk, and school age rooms. Rooms were adequately stocked with mostly age appropriate furniture and accessible materials. Program rooms either included a hand washing sink within the program room and/or adjacent restroom areas. Toddler B and twos rooms share a connecting restroom area. Infant B and toddler A also share a connecting restroom area that is used for hand washing only. All program space was observed.

This center serves breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack all prepared on site in the center kitchen. The center does participate in the CACFP.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center has an IQ4K rating of four stars through 9/30/24. The center is NAEYC accredited through 6/1/27. The center director has a CDA. The center director reports that the corporation continues to offer to pay for staff to get their CDA and also offers to pay partial tuition for staff seeking higher education in the field. The center participates in the TEACH program. The center director states there are plans to repaint the interior of the building. Staff and child files and other required licensing documentation were found to be organized. The center does appear to be using a tracking system for staff and child file compliance.

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

STAFF FILES:
109.6(6) Record checks. c. Iowa records checks. Checks and evaluations of Iowa child abuse and criminal records,

including the sex offender registry, shall be completed before the person's involvement with child care at the center.
1. _1_ staff file reviewed did not have the Iowa record check completed prior to the staff's involvement with child care.

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.
2. _2_ staff files reviewed did not have the physical completed pre-employment as required.

109.10(5): Infectious disease control: Centers shall establish policies and procedures related to infection disease control and use of universal precautions with handling of bodily fluid. Soiled diapers shall be stored in containers separate from other waste.
1. Diaper waste can in the preschool restroom area is being used for all restroom area waste items.

109.10(10): Recording incidents: Parents shall be notified on the day of the incident involving a child that includes: Minor injuries. Minor changes in health status. Minor behavioral concerns. Incidents resulting in injury to a child. Shall be verbally notified immediately when there is: A serious injury to a child. An incident resulting in significant change in health status. An incident includes child being involved in inappropriate, sexually acting out behavior. A WRITTEN report, fully documenting every incident, shall be provided to the parent or authorized person. This should be completed by staff that witnessed the incident and retained in child file. Serious injuries and deaths must be reported to the Department within 24 hours.
1. Incident reports observed in discovery preschool room from 2/27/23 not signed/dated by parent and not otherwise noted that parent was notified.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Sanitation and safety procedures for the center are developed and implemented to reduce risk or injury or harm to children and reduce transmission of disease.
1. Kitchen area is not considered to be sanitary. Cabinets/drawers/floor surfaces are sticky to the touch, insides of drawers that include food service items are visibly dirty, countertop surfaces used for food service activities were observed to be cluttered with various other materials in the food preparation area. Food preparation surfaces shall cleared off and be properly cleaned and sanitized immediately prior to this activity.
2. Food service/food preparation surfaces were not cleaned and sanitized immediately prior to this activity as observed in the prek and preschool rooms.
3. Food service items stored in tote with other miscellaneous items in the toddler B room. Food service items shall be stored separately in a sanitary fashion.
4. Chair trays shall be properly cleaned and sanitized immediately prior to the food service activities in the infant B room.
5. Restroom areas in the center appear generally visibly unsanitary (floors, toilet seats, toilets not flushed suggesting lack of supervision of restroom activity).
6. Floors throughout the center generally appear visibly dirty and with various debris. Attention is needed to maintain adequate cleaning procedures and expectations throughout the center.

109.12(5)b: Diapering, sanitation, and handwashing procedures posted and implemented in central diapering area.
1. Review diaper changing procedures with staff as they are posted. Staff shall wash hands after cleaning diaper station.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

This report also processes an administrative change to update the license capacity of the center based on the new configuration of the lower level since the previous licensing visit. The room capacities for the center are as follows:

Main Level:
Infant A = 7 children
Infant B = 8 children
Toddler A (no cribs) = 10 children
Toddler B (no cribs) = 12 children
Two year old room = 17 children

Lower Level:
Three year old room (preschool room) = 22 children
Four/Five year old room (prek room) = 21 children
School age/transitional kindergarten area = 28 children

The lower level now includes separated space that is called the "indoor rec space" that is used as break out space for various groups of children throughout the day. The room is not included in the center's license capacity because it is not an assigned program room, however, the room can have a maximum of 12 children at any given time.

1. Ensure children do not have toys or other materials with them at tables that have been prepared for food service activities. Children shall wash hands prior to food service and keep their hands clean.
2. Water cooler used for drinking water in the preschool room appears visibly dirty and stained. It is unclear if it can be properly cleaned and sanitized at this point. If not, it should be discarded.
3. Ensure chair does not block exit door in the infant B room.
4. Ensure children's items are stored within their cubby space. Items should not be on the floor.
5. Repair diaper station cabinet in the discovery preschool room so that it closes properly and does not present a pinch hazard.
6. Consider more age appropriate eating utensils for the toddlers through two year old children rather than adult sized utensils.
7. Ensure all children's files include the doctor, dentist, and hospital information as is required.

The center will continue with a full license. The center has made notable progress in organization and compliance of staff and child files. It will be important for the center to continue to utilize the tracking system to help them maintain compliance. Attention is needed to the cleanliness and sanitation of the building. The center is directed to correct the items cited and the items noted above in this section of the report and to submit a written summary to the licensing consultant as to how and when those corrections are/will be completed and how compliance will be maintained. The written summary shall be submitted within 30 days of receipt of this evaluation. Thank you.

*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.