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

Name of Center: BB's Preschool & Childcare **Enrollment:** 42 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 30104

Street: 3919 Jefferson ST **City:** Sioux City Iowa **Zip** 51108 **County:** Woodbury

Mailing Address: 1016 S Newton ST, Sioux City, IA, 51106

Director's Name: Brenda Barto **Phone Number:** 712-239-9061

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** bartob@q.com

Date(s) of Visit: 05-02-2023

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:** 04-12-2022

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

Date Inspected: 06-09-2022

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 X 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	0	0	16	15	31
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 4

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:** 05-10-2023

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

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

Visited BB's Preschool on 05-02-23 and spoke with Laura Brockelslay & Chevaya Heins lead workers as Brenda Barto, director was not present. Ms Barto has a CDA and thirty three years of experience working with children. This center is located in the Leeds Elementary School (Room 128). The program operates Monday through Friday 7:15am to 5:30pm during the school year for children three to five years old and school age children mainly siblings to the preschoolers. School agers are from 7:15am to 8:00am and then 2:30-5:30pm on Mondays and 3:30pm to 5:30pm Tuesday thru Friday. School doors are locked and anyone wanting to enter the school must be admitted by school personnel.

There are 42 children enrolled in the program with 15 children being preschool and 27 being school age children. There were 15 kids present at the time of the visit. 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 is following all guidelines put forth by DHS regarding the corona-virus and doing everything they can to support their staff and families. The center continues in cleaning toys that children use. Sufficient amount of toys and equipment for the number of children. Daily schedule of activities was posted. Displayed throughout the room were colors, shapes, five senses, globe of the world, picture schedule for the children, job chart, children's artwork and the alphabet. Observed staff assisting children with a variety of activities, talking to the children throughout the visit, leading the children in exercise, reminding the children about rules, engaging the children in activities, sitting at the tables with the children during meals and reading stories to the children. Staff had good interaction with the children. The center utilizes the Creative Curriculum Gold in their teachings. They also use ECR, the Idgis and Ages with Stages.

The center has the following areas throughout the room for the children to explore and learn: blocks, dramatic play, writing, science, books, art, puzzles, math, sensory table, and music/movement. During this visit observed the children participating in the following activities: free play (during this time children can explore the various centers throughout the room), lunch and stories read to the children. The room is brightly decorated and the curriculum is age appropriate. Children have access to bathrooms. Daily schedule of activities was posted.

Center Nutrition Practices Observed
Good food storage practices were observed. The center follows the CACFP guidelines for nutrition. Menus were posted. Meals are prepared onsite. The refrigerator needs to be looked at or replaced as food was frozen, milk and cottage cheese. The center participates in the CACFP program.

Center Health & Safety
Medication is stored in a lock box or out of reach of the children. Center follows proper guidelines for administering medication. Tables are sanitized prior to children eating. Observed good hand washing procedures by staff and children. First aid kit is sufficient to treat minor injuries. Fire/tornado drills are documented, however, was missing the month of April 2023. Radon test was completed and within normal however the annual heating inspection was not available and needs to be completed. Good sanitary procedures are followed. Center has a functioning carbon monoxide detector. All program areas were observed to be clean and well maintained. Good health and safety policies /procedures are in place.

Center Playground
The center has access to a large fenced-in school playground. The surfacing material is rubber tiles. They do not use the school playground
climbing equipment. The program tends to us a grassy area just outside the classroom. The center uses balls, hoola hoops, chalk, outside toys and games when on the playground. Monthly playground inspection completed. Shade is available on the playground.

Center Transportation Arrangements/Field Trips
The center does not transport the children. At times the program will take a walk to the park which is a couple of blocks away.

Center Administrative Records
All the required postings were visible. The center's discipline practices consist of talking to the children and time out

Goals of the center are to have full enrollment for preschool.

Strengths of the center is that staff work well as a team which allows for the schedule to flow well. Staff has a good relationship with parents, school, and the community.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center is rated a QRS Level 4 out of 5.

Director is a member of NAEYC.

The center sends out a monthly newsletter.

The center has their own website were additional information about the center, weekly lesson plans, etc. can all be observed.

The owner/director does one home visit each year for children enrolled.

There are two parent-teacher conferences every year.

The center is part of the preschool initiative program.

The center participates in the CACFP (food program).

There is a secure entrance into the building.

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

109.9(3): Signed and dated Iowa immunization certificates are on file for each child enrolled.
Number missing: 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: 1

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Program needs to email consultant confirming that those aspects that fall below standards have been corrected by 06-15-23.

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.