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

Name of Center: Kids & Company-Lewis & Clark **Enrollment:** 60 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 7199

Street: 1603 Grand Ave **City:** Council Bluffs Iowa **Zip** 51503 **County:** Pottawattamie

Mailing Address: 300 W Broadway Ste 212, Council Bluffs, IA, 51503

Director's Name: Molly Stogdill **Phone Number:** 712-396-2573

On-Site Supervisor(s): Hailey Hanson **E-Mail:** mstogdill@cbsf.org

Date(s) of Visit: 03-21-2024

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

LICENSING VISITS

New Application **Re-Application** X **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: 08-17-2023

Comments : One violation was noted. Please make sure this was corrected.

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			10	90	100
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 10-01-2023 to 10-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans **Date:** 04-03-2024

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced off year licensing visit was made to Lewis & Clark Kids & Company on 3-21-2024. The program is located in the gym at Lewis & Clark Elementary School. Before and after school services are provided to preschool children to children in fifth grade. The program opens at 6:15 am and runs until school begins and then opens after school until 6:00 pm. Full day programming is available for in service days, snow days and during the summer. The program consolidates with the other Kids & Company sites for full day and summer programming.
There are 60 children enrolled.
Molly Stogdill became the director in May 2022. Hailey Hanson is the on-site supervisor, she has been employed with Kids & Company for over five years.

Observation of room:
Hailey was gone on the day of my licensing visit, I met with Nicole Pike. The program is held in the gym/cafeteria area.
There were 32 children and 4 staff present. The children were playing and getting pick up at the end of the day.
The staff were positive and attentive to the needs of the children.
The curriculum and activities are designed to engage the children. The center had current lesson plans/activities.

Nutrition:
The program receives the daily snack through the school, the monthly menu was posted. The program participates in the federal food program.
Refrigerator/freezer have thermometers.

Health and safety:
Fire/tornado drills are practiced and documented.
The center follows proper medication management procedures when children are prescribed medication.
Radon testing is required and is monitored by the Department of Education. Radon testing is required every two years and your score must be under a 4.0 pCi/L.
The annual fuel burning inspection/boiler inspection expires in June 2024.
Purell Surface is used for sanitizing.
Playground:
The program uses the school playground. Playground safety checks are practiced and documented.
Staff couldn't locate the emergency policies and procedures. Your center is required to have the required emergency policies and procedures and all staff must be trained on them. Make sure your site has them and train staff. When the on-site supervisor/site -director is gone you need to make sure the staff know the licensing rules and emergency policies and procedures. Please make this correction immediately.

Transportation:
The program doesn't offer daily transportation services. A school bus is hired when a field trip is taken.

Administrative records:

Staff files were read on a previous date at the administrative office.
Children's files were read - preschool child files were missing information. Please review all preschool age files and have them updated with the required information. Files were missing physicals and immunization records.
Staff receive ongoing training from Kids & Company. Hailey maintains ongoing contact with the director.
The center uses the Brightwheel child care app, this provides excellent communication between the center and the parent.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Staff were positive and attentive to the needs of the children.
Purpose - "Kids & Company provides a caring, stimulating environment where your child can develop social and decision-making skills through a variety of activities. We provide a fun, inviting, safe and age appropriate setting for your child".
The program is an excellent resource for the school and the community.

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

109.9(2): All files are updated at least annually and when a change occurs.
109.9(3): Signed and dated Iowa immunization certificates are on file for each child enrolled.
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.
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V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for 10-1-2023 to 10-1-2025.
Off year licensing visit 3-21-2024.

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*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.