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

Name of Center: Carroll Area CCC & PS KC Site **Enrollment:** 35 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 31796

Street: 108 W 6th Street **City:** Carroll Iowa **Zip** 51401 **County:** Carroll

Mailing Address: 113 W 7th Street, Carroll, IA, 51401

Director's Name: Keely Fara **Phone Number:** 712-792-1375

On-Site Supervisor(s): Jessica Mowrey **E-Mail:** keelycacccp@gmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 06-05-2024

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

Date Inspected: 07-19-2023

Comments : State Fire Marshal inspections are due every three years.

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: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	0	0	10	35	45
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 1

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 07-01-2023 to 07-01-2025
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans **Date:** 06-11-2024

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

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

A unannounced licensing visit was made to Carroll Area CCC & PS KC Site on 6/53/24. This center is located in the Renew Church building (There are other businesses in the Renew Church building) The center is located next door to Carroll Area Child Care Center & Preschool. Keely Fara is the director, Keely is also the director of Carroll Area Child Care Center & Preschool. She has a BA degree. Jessica Mowrey is the on-site supervisor, she has her BA degree. The program provides care to preschool-age children (during the school year only) and school-age children ages five to 10 years in age year round. I met with Keely during my licensing visit and I also met Jessica Mowrey.
Child care programming is provided to preschool to school age children.
There are 35 children enrolled.

Observation of room:
The program has one very nice large room with a fun variety of age and developmentally appropriate toys and equipment. During the summer the center keeps a very busy schedule keeping the children very active - they have a weekly activity calendar. They walk to the pool twice a week during the summer and they walk to the free summer lunch program at Kuemper School each day. There were 27 children and 4 staff present on the day of my visit. The children were returning to the center from swimming and Kuemper School for lunch on the day of my visit. The children had free choice of playing in the activity centers. The staff had excellent interactions with the children, they were positive and having fun with the children.
The center uses a combination of the Creative Learning Curriculum and their own curriculum. This center is under the same board as the Carroll Area Child Care Center.
A weekly and/or monthly newsletter is sent home to parents.

Nutrition:
The Carroll Area Child CAre Center & Preschool located next door provides the meals for the program. During the summer the program participates in the free lunch program located at Kuemper School. Menus are posted. Proper food storage was observed. If children bring their lunch make sure you store them in the refrigerator for proper refrigeration/temperature.

Health and Safety:
Monthly fire/tornado drills are practiced and documented. Radon testing was done in May 2023 with test results in the acceptable range. You will need to retest every five years as long as your test score continues to be under 4.0 pCi/L. If testing is 4.0 pCi/L or higher you will need retest, mitigation and test every two years - at least initially. If you have fuel burning appliances you will need an annual fuel burning inspection. Jessica has taken the medication management training. The center has a secure entrance. There are also security cameras in place in the classroom, hallways, and playground areas.

Playground:
The center uses the playground at Carroll Area Child Care Center & Preschool - monthly playground safety inspections are maintained there.

Transportation:
The program doesn't offer daily transportation services. The center takes many walking field trips i.e. the pool twice a week during the summer, free summer lunch program at Kuemper School etc. A few field trips require a hired bus from the Carroll School District.

Administrative records:
Staff and child files were read and were in good order.
The center participates in IQ4K level 1.
Quarterly staff meetings are held throughout the year, weekly notes are also sent to staff to summarize weekly events.
The director has quarterly meetings with other directors in the area.
The Board is highly involved in the center's operations.
Several staff are participating in TEACH and WAGE

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Keely is very enthusiastic and proud of the centers. Keely and Jessica are very organized. The center is an excellent resource for the community. The center has received grants for equipment and supplies.
The staff had excellent interactions with the children, they were positive and having fun with the children.

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

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for 7-1-2023 to 7-1-2025.
Off year licensing visit 6-5-2024.

If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact your consultant at 515-725-2654 or email nkneppe@dhs.state.ia.us so that we may discuss the issue. You may also send a letter that will be included in your licensing file noting any disagreement you may have with this report.
*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.

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