

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 09-01-2017 to 09-01-2019
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCACTION of license

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Date: 08-21-2017

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

On 8/16/17 I made announced visits to Wigwam Daycare and Preschool. On the visit I met with owner and Director Traci Wiegand and other staff members. Wigwam Daycare and Preschool is located in a former elementary building structure modified to be child care. The center is owned and operated by Traci Wiegand, who also directs the center. The center also rents a room to a 3 year old Head Start program. The center shares a building with a dance studio/fitness group/social center, but is separated by a locked door.

Ms. Wiegand has a AA from Indian Hills Community College and 12 years of experience providing in home child care. The Center is located in a residential neighborhood in Bloomfield. The library is next door. The Center provides programs ages 6 weeks through age 12 or through the 6th Grade. The center onsite supervisor is Diana Hartman. Ms. Hartman has a Associates in Nursing degree and 1 year experience in in home child care. On the visit staff were actively engaged in providing the full day preschool age child care program to the children. All program areas were observed. The center contains 7 classrooms divided by age groups, one for infants/toddlers, one for two year old children, two for 3-5 year old children, and another room for school age children that is attached to the kitchen and also serves as a dining area for all children. The infant classroom is also divided into play and sleep areas. The sleep area contains 24 cots, all spaced at least 2 feet apart. Children ages 1 and up nap in this room. A napping charts is in place, which is best practice.

The Wigwam Daycare and preschool purchased an old Elementary School building in residential Bloomfield and now occupies the space. Davis County Head Start rents one room from the center and offers free 3 year old Head Start programming. The teachers and associates have two- and four-year degrees with early childhood endorsements. The preschool teachers will be allowed to attend monthly in-services at the local school.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

The center often times has more staff in the room than ratio requires.

The center is expanding and partnering with the Davis County School District.

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

1. 109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Adequate indoor and outdoor space is provided. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade. Sufficient space provided for dining. Sufficient lighting shall be provided. Sufficient ventilation. Sufficient heating. sufficient cooling. Sufficient bathroom and diapering facilities. Equipment, including kitchen appliances, are maintained so as not to result in burns, shock, or injury to children. 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.

2. 109.11(3)d: Record of monthly inspections of outdoor recreation area and equipment shall be kept.

3. 109.12(5)e: The provider shall follow safe sleep practices recommended by AAP for infants under one year of age: Infants shall always be placed on their back for sleep.

Infants shall be placed on a firm mattress with a tight fitted sheet that meets Consumer Product Safety Commission federal standards. Infants shall not be allowed to sleep on a bed, sofa, air mattress or other soft surface. No child will be allowed to sleep in any items not designed for sleeping but not limited to, an infant seat, car seat, swing, bouncy seat. No toys, soft objects, stuffed animals, pillows, bumper pads, blankets, or loose bedding shall be allowed in the sleeping area with the infant. No co-sleeping shall be allowed. Sleeping infants shall be actively observed by sight and sound. If an alternate sleeping position is needed, a signed physician authorization with statement of medical reason is required.

Staff should be trained and implement Safe Sleep practices. CCR&R may be consulted on this issue. I asked CCR&R to provide consultation services to the infant room staff.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

This visit will also include an administrative change. The center added an additional room for 3 year old/preschool children for capacity addition of 22.

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