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

Name of Center: Bill Reagan Children's Center **Enrollment:** 48 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 49264

Street: 2620 Muscatine AVE **City:** Iowa City Iowa **Zip** 52240 **County:** Johnson

Mailing Address: 2401 Towncrest DR, Iowa City, IA, 52240

Director's Name: Jenny Winegarden **Phone Number:** 319-351-5017

On-Site Supervisor(s): N/A **E-Mail:** jennywinegarden@arcsei.org

Date(s) of Visit: 03-06-2024

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

LICENSING VISITS

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

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 03-07-2024

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

Date Inspected: 09-08-2023

Comments : Does Comply.

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: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 2 Years X Preschool-Age X School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care X 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	32	32	29	46	139
Summer					0

QRS Rating: 1

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 02-01-2024 to 02-01-2026
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 03-13-2024

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

N/A

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

This worker arrived at Bill Regan Arc of SE Iowa for an annual visit on 3/6/24. The center provides child care for infants to school aged children.
They currently have 48 children enrolled. The center is located inside of a commercial building. The center has 8 classrooms, a large motor room, kitchen, kitchenette, storage areas and an office.

The director is Jenny Winegarden. Jenny has a Bachelor's Degree in Music. Jenny has been with the Arc of SE Iowa since 2015.

The center had a fire inspection completed on 5/4/23.

All program space was observed on the date of my visit.

Nutritional practices were checked. They serve breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. The kitchen was maintained in a clean/orderly fashion.

Health and safety practices were also reviewed. The center had completed fire and tornado drills as required.

The center's curriculum is Pinnacle.

The center's policies, licensing notebook, staff files and child files were reviewed.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The director has been with the center since 2015.
-The center has an inclusive playground.
-The center uses Brighwheel for open parent communication.
-The center is on the Child and Adult Care Food Program.
-The center accepts Child Care Assistance.
-Classrooms are clean, nicely decorated and welcoming to those who enter.

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

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.
-Number not in compliance: 2

109.9(2): All files are updated at least annually and when a change occurs.
-Number not in compliance: 2

109.9(2)f: All files contain parent authorization for attendance at center-sponsored field trips and non-center activities.
-Number not in compliance with center-sponsored trips: 1

109.10(16)a: The center and supervisor shall ensure that staff knows names and number of children assigned. Staff shall provide careful supervision.
-A staff that was covering lunch breaks did not know how many children were in her care.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-Plastic bags and diaper sleeves must be stored inaccessible to the children. They are a suffocation hazard.
-An indoor climbing area needs an ASTM mat under it: https://www.cpsc.gov/s3fs-public/325.pdf
-Choking hazards were accessible to children under 3 years.
-Ensure that cups are stored in a way that they do not cross contamination.
-An infant bottle warmer needs to be moved to ensure that it does not spill. The center must follow the instructions on the bottle warmer.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. It is important to note, all DHS licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

The following agencies are available to provide consultation, support, and educational opportunities:
CACFP: https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/nutrition-programs/child-and-adult-care-food-program
Child Care Resource and Referral: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/
Early Childhood Iowa: https://earlychildhood.iowa.gov/
First Children's Finance: https://www.firstchildrensfinance.org/
Healthy Child Care Nurse Consultants: https://hhs.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants
Iowa AEYC: http://www.iowaaeyc.org/
Iowa After School Alliance: https://www.iowaafterschoolalliance.org/
Iowa State University: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/early-childhood
4c's of Johnson County: https://www.iowa4cs.com/

*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.