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July 20, 2012

Stepping Stones Childcare Center L.L.C
Attention: Trisha Szatkowski
403 Lincoln St
East Tawas, MI 48730

RE: Application #: DC350328169
Stepping Stones Childcare Center
1848 Pine Trail
East Tawas, MI 48730

Dear Ms. Trisha Szatkowski.:

Attached is the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility. The study has determined substantial compliance with applicable licensing statutes and rules. Therefore, a provisional license with a maximum capacity of 50 is issued.

Please review the attached documentation for accuracy and feel free to contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please feel free to contact the local office at (231) 922-5309.

Per MCL 722.113g, this report must be filed in your Licensing Notebook.

Sincerely,

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enclosure

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #: DC350328169

Licensee Name: Stepping Stones Childcare Center L.L.C.

Licensee Address: 403 Lincoln St
East Tawas, MI 48730

Licensee Telephone #: (989) 820-2951

Administrator/Licensee Designee: Trisha Szatkowski

Name of Facility: Stepping Stones Childcare Center

Facility Address: 1848 Pine Trail
East Tawas, MI 48730

Facility Telephone #: (989) 305-6651
06/28/2012

Application Date:

Capacity: 50

Program Type: CHILD CARE CENTER

II. METHODOLOGY

06/28/2012	On-Line Enrollment
06/29/2012	Contact - Documents Sent Center Licensing Rules & Public Act 116 booklets
07/05/2012	Inspection Completed-Fire Safety : A rating
07/13/2012	Inspection Completed-Furnace Approved
07/16/2012	Inspection Completed-Environmental Health : A rating Inspection Received-Playground
07/20/2012	Application Complete/On-site Needed
07/20/2012	Inspection Completed On-site

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Description of Facility

Approved space (room numbers, sizes, capacity and ages of children for which each room/well-defined space is approved, etc.):

Preschool room measures 67' X 27' = 1809 square feet, with two additional areas of space measuring 25' X 6' = 150 sq. ft. and 13' X 18' = 234 sq. ft., for a total of 2,175 square feet. This is more than adequate space for 30 children age 2 ½ and older.

School-age room 1 and School-age room 2 measure 20' X 13'6" = 270 sq. ft., with an additional area of 12'6" X 6'6" = 81 sq. ft., for a total room space of 351 square feet. This is adequate space for 10 children age 2 ½ years and older in each room, or a total of 20 school age children.

Capacity for this center will be 50 children ages 2 1/2 years and older.

Equipment:

There is an adequate supply of toys and equipment to begin child care for 50 children.

Number of sinks and toilets:

There are three bathrooms with one toilet and sink, and a fourth bathroom has two toilets and sinks. The five toilets and sinks are adequate for 50 children attending full time.

Outdoor play area - location, fenced or not, water hazards:

The outdoor play area is fully fenced and children will be able to swing, maneuver on the dome climber, play tether ball, sit on the scooper and move pea gravel, play ball, jump rope, blow bubbles, and get involved in other outdoor games.

Documentation if a lead assessment was required and the results:

No lead assessment was required as the building was built in 1989.

Documentation of playground safety:

Playground safety report dated 6/12/12 documents installed equipment is in compliance with playground safety guidelines.

B. Program Description

Ages of children served:

Children from 2 ½ years to 12 years can attend the preschool and school-age child care programs.

Proposed days and hours of operation:

Monday through Friday from 6:30 AM to 5:30 PM.

Full or part time (AM or PM sessions or both):

Full and part time child care is available.

Other program components - transportation, swimming, food service:

No transportation, swimming or food service is provided. Snacks are provided in the morning and afternoon by the center.

Name of program director and under what rule the program director is qualified. Document how the center meets the administrative requirement if a variance was granted.

Trisha Szatkowski is the program director, and she is qualified under R 400.5103(3) and (4). She began working as a program director in April 2010 at the Tawas Area Presbyterian Preschool. She took an early childhood course in competencies and best practices in children and family programs, so she has some administrative training.

Explanation of variance(s), if any: None.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of a provisional license to this child care center.

Marcia Demski

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Licensing Consultant

7/20/12

Approved By:

Jackie Horton

Jackie Horton
Area Manager

7/20/12