Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Lynn Hougland

Provider Name: Lynn Hougland

Provider No.: 23006

Address: 3791 Ubben AVE, Story City, IA, 50248

E-Mail:

County: Story

Phone Number: 5154608103

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 3/25/2026

Program Type:

- [ ] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [X] Registered Child Development Home B
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C1
- [ ] Non Registered Child Care Homes accepting CCA

Program Population Served:

- [ ] Infant(0<24 mos)
- [ ] Toddler
- [ ] PreSchool
- [ ] School Age
- [X] All Ages

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1. Basic Overview

I conducted a compliance visit with Registered Child Development Home Category B provider Lynn Hougland on 3/25/2026. Lynn has been involved in child care for 27 years. She continues using both the main floor and basement level of her ranch style home. The basement walks out directly to the back yard to serve as a second exit on that floor. Both levels of the home include significant open play space and are clean/clutter free. Lynn had 8 children present during the time of our visit, and is currently caring for 16 total. (Several are part time.) Lynn has 2 HHS-approved assistants and no HHS-approved substitutes. Lynn's home is in a rural setting and has a large open back yard space she uses for her outside play area. She has a good well water statement from one year ago and is ready for the County to conduct their next test this spring. Lynn is due to renew her certification effective 8/31/2027.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Lynn has lots of experience as a child care provider and continues to operate at capacity trying to meet the needs of families in the local community. She continues using the Playground child care application with her operation. Lynn is willing to balance several part time children and is flexible working with parents on scheduling. Lynn's curriculum is lots of free play mixed with "Mother Goose Time" activities. The children have regular outside time as weather permits. Lynn participates in the Food Program to enhance the nutrition of her snacks and meals.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Lynn was in compliance at this time.

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Lynn has 2 newly approved assistants still within their first six months who need to obtain a current health statement on the State form, and need to complete the Mandatory Reporter training.

The 2026 targeted compliance for the Emergency Preparedness Plan was conducted. Lynn was in compliance having a plan posted in multiple locations consistent with her current operation.

I encourage Lynn to work with Amanda Takes from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.
Amanda can be reached at: (712) 541-9470

Lynn had one infant under 12 months of age in care who was awake during our visit. We reviewed safe infant sleeping policies.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow Date: 4/3/2026

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration. Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations.

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at