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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Sanford Center Eastside School Age Care

Provider No.: 51381

Address: 6100 Morningside Ave, Sioux City, IA, 51106

County: Woodbury

Director's Name: Gina Moyer

On-Site Supervisor: Fitz Grant

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HHS Visit Date: 09/02/2025

Licensing Period: 08/01/2025 to 08/01/2027

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 03/11/2024

Comments:

Report Visit Type:

- [ ] PTO
- [ ] Licensing Visit
- [ ] Drop In
- [ ] Administrative Change

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [X] Year-Round
- [ ] School Year
- [ ] Summer Only

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Program Population Served:

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General				18	18
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

I completed an unannounced visit to this center on 09/02/25. I spoke with Fitz Grant, the lead worker as Director Gina Moyer was not present. Ms Moyer has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and has worked with children for the past 30 years. The Sanford Center is a program that serves children at risk and has a sister program on Geneva St. The program is in one room and uses the gym at the Morningside Bible Church. The program offers childcare before and after school and a summer program. The center provides transportation to and from local elementary schools including Nodland, Spalding, Sunnyside, and Morningside Elementary schools. The program serves children in Tk to 6th grade. During the school year the program operates Monday thru Friday 7:00am to 8:30am and then 2:30-6:00pm on Monday afternoon and 3:30pm to 6:00pm Tuesday through Friday. During the summer the center operates Monday-Friday 7:30am to 4:30pm. There are currently 18 kids enrolled. There were 5 children present at the time of my visit.

All areas of the program were observed. The areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review.

The program provides a nurturing and well-organized environment with a variety of engaging activities and centers for children, including games, Legos, dramatic play, and physical education equipment such as balls and hula hoops. Children have access to bathrooms throughout the day, and outdoor play takes place in a grassy area, allowing them to be active and explore safely.

A daily schedule of activities is posted, which helps guide both staff and children. The program offers a sufficient number of toys and equipment, supporting children's play, learning, and creativity throughout the day.

During the school year, children are given time to complete homework as needed. In the summer, the program focuses on academic enrichment, particularly in math and reading, while also offering enjoyable summer field trips. Individual permission is obtained for each trip, and children are safely transported using the program's vans. The program maintains proper documentation regarding van maintenance to ensure continued safety.

During my observation, staff were warm, attentive, and engaged with the children, fostering a positive and supportive environment. Snacks were provided and they follow CCAFP guidelines. The children were actively engaged with Legos, demonstrating focus, creativity, and enjoyment in their activities. Overall, the program provides a safe, structured, and enriching environment where children can learn, play, and grow.

The center has a first aid kit sufficient to treat minor injuries. All required postings were hanging. Van Maintenance is updated. Radon testing has been completed. Tornado/fire drills are occurring monthly.

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Goals would to be to increase enrollment.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

Staff and parents have a good relationship.

Center provided transportation to and from local elementary school.

The room was clean and well organized. Staff provides good structure and encouragement.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

109.9(2)j: School-age (for children five years and older and enrolled in school): Annual statement of health status signed by parent is submitted prior to admission, certifies that the child is free of communicable disease, and lists allergies, medications and acute/chronic conditions.

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

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

The Director will email consultant confirming those items that fall below standards are completed by 10/31/25

It is recommended that Director continue to work with CCRR to assist and support the program.

A full license is recommended at this time at this time.

At least one visit will be made to the center during the next year

Date: 09/02/2025

HHS Licensing Consultant: Leann Steinhauer

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