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CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Little Explorers Daycare LLC

Provider Name: Little Explorers Daycare LLC

Provider No.: 49690

Address: 302 Windsor Way, Sergeant Bluff, IA, 51054

E-Mail:

County: Woodbury

Phone Number: 7125227098

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 4/10/2026

Program Type:

- [ ] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home B
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home C
- [X] 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

Mercedes is a category C1 provider who has been registered for 8 years. She is Child Net certified. Her hours are 7:30AM to 5:00PM Monday thru Friday. She accepts children from 6 weeks old up to 5 years old. She does not accept school aged children. She does not take childcare assistance payments. She does childcare on the main and lower levels of the home. There is a fenced in back yard with lots of play equipment. There is one dog residing in the home.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Mercedes' home is spacious and clean. Her program is family oriented. She maintains good communication with the children's parents. The children's day is structured and includes some preschool curriculum. She believes in hands on learning. Merecedes is bi-lingual and teaches the children Spanish as well. There is a variety of activities for the children to do, both indoor and outdoor. Mercedes provides the parents with a monthly newsletter

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Mercedes met all HHS requirements for this compliance check.

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

NA

5. Special Notes/recommendations

2026 Targeted Compliance of Emergency Preparedness Plan was up to date and in line with her current practices.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Dave Jaehrling Date: 6/1/2026

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 (712) 786-3489