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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Shining Bright Learning Center

Provider No.: 52414

Address: 1300 Metro East DR STE 106, Pleasant Hill, IA, 50327

County: Polk

Director's Name: Tammy Hinton

On-Site Supervisor:

Phone Number: 5153507368

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HHS Visit Date: 02/05/2026

Licensing Period: 02/01/2026 to 02/01/2028

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 04/15/2025

Comments:

Report Visit Type:

- [ ] PTO
- [X] 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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HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*
Sunday			
Monday	6:30 AM to 5:30 PM		
Tuesday	6:30 AM to 5:30 PM		
Wednesday	6:30 AM to 5:30 PM		
Thursday	6:30 AM to 5:30 PM		
Friday	6:30 AM to 5:30 PM		
Saturday			

Program Population Served:

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General	15	14	32		61
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

Shining Bright Learning Center opened in February 2024. The center is located in Radiant Church. The church has a secured door. The church owns the daycare. The daycare provides child care services for children ages infancy through preschool. Tammy Hinton is the director. Tammy has experience has a director and several years of experience in the child care industry.

An unannounced visit was completed today. All areas subject to HHS rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place at the center's entrance. Classroom schedules and lesson plans are posted in classrooms. Each classroom has age appropriate furnishings, supplies and toys in place. The center uses the Bright Wheel computer app.

Tammy assisted with today's visit. Children were observed in their classrooms.

The infant classroom had twelve infants present. The room has a mobile divider in place. There were four non-mobile infants on one side of the room and eight older infants on the other side of the class. There were three staff working in the room. This worker and Tammy looked closely at the divider being used, as it wasn't very sturdy and could be a topple hazard for infants pulling themselves up. Tammy is going to look into getting another type of gate for the classroom. The early preschool classroom (2's) had twelve children present. There were some children who were 18 months in the room. There were two staff working in the room. Tammy said that they do evaluate if children are ready to be in the 2's classroom prior to moving them into the room. The larger classroom has been sectioned into two classrooms, Preschool and PreK. Preschool had six children present. One staff was working with this group. PreK had twelve children in attendance. One staff was working with this group. The divider put in place was not stable and could tip over on children. This worker told Tammy a different divider needed to be used or they needed to figure out how to make the current divider stable and not a

hazard in the class. Tammy said she will address this.
Children were observed during lunch, during child directed activities and during transition times. Children were observed preparing for rest time also. Staff were observed to be engaged and assisting children as needed throughout the visit.

The center has a kitchen area that is used for preparing snacks. The center purchases breakfast, snacks and lunch from Des Moines Public Schools. Disposable products are used for serving food. Lunch served today was chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, wheat roll, oranges and milk.

The playground has fencing. There is grass and concrete areas. A shading structure is in place. The center has outdoor play materials and riding toys for children to use when outdoors. Playground inspections have been completed.

The center doesn't provide transportation.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

Tammy Hinton was a director prior to coming to this daycare center. The church is very supportive of the center. There is a large room in the church that children are able to use for large motor play activities. The center uses Bright Wheel for communication with parents and for administration purposes.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

Some children's files needed updates physicals.

The divider in both classrooms needs addressed. Tammy was receptive and willing to get the dividers replaced or modified to ensure the safety of the children.

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

NA

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

The center has a full license.

Capacity has changed for the center. There is a larger infant classroom being used and some adjustments made in other classrooms for capacity.

Date: 02/06/2026

HHS Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant

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