



CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Fresh Air Childcare

Provider Name: Fresh Air Childcare

Provider No.: 53039

Address: 113 2nd AVE NW, Mount Vernon, IA,
52314

E-Mail:

County: Linn

Phone Number: 5635082908

☒ Pre-Inspection Date: 12/11/2025

☒ Approval Date: 12/16/2025

☐ Annual Visit Date:

Program Type:

☒ Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)

☐ 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

☐ All Ages

1. Basic Overview

A Pre-inspection was completed on 12/11/25 as Marjorie is just getting started as a Registered childcare provider. Marjorie shared that she did provide in home childcare as a Non-registered provider for 8 years in the state of Illinois when her children were young. She has been employed as an elementary school teacher, a Librarian and has worked with talented and gifted children as well as provided education and technology to other teachers in working with the talented and gifted program. She presents as very excited to provide childcare in her home. She currently has 4 children enrolled that she has begun to care for and identified a wait list. She plans to provide preschool type curriculum and care for children ages 3-5. At this time, she does not plan to care for infants. Her hours are 7:30-4. Marjorie only plans to provide care on the main level of her home. Marjorie has named her childcare Fresh Air Childcare and talked about the importance of outside play. She also valued reading and plans trips to the local library once per week. She described that she and the children read daily. Marjorie does have two small dogs.

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2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Marjorie has a great set up in her home for childcare. She has a few different rooms set up for care and has an extensive variety and amount of educational toys, books and crafts. She described a routine that included free play but also structured time and daily outdoor play. She has a fenced in yard.

The children were napping when this worker was present, so I did not have much opportunity to observe interactions. Marjorie did describe that she has monthly get togethers with the parents and they all have a book share and clothing share set up. Marjorie also informed this worker that she has a holiday program scheduled next week that the children are excited to present and the parents are excited to attend. She stressed a value in the families being able to communicate with each other.

Marjorie did already have written policies for responding to health care emergencies and an illness policy. These are not required at the PI. She did not have written documentation of her notifying parents that an exception for immunizations (religious or medical) can be provided in lieu of the immunization record. Marjorie agreed to add that to her contract/policies. This is not required at PI. Marjorie did have additional policies in her contract and it was well written. She presented as very organized and professional. She is already connected with one of the Business Management consultant agencies.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8 (1) h : Has a minimum of one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway.

Marjorie does need to install one additional smoke alarm in one of the rooms.

-Marjorie will need to send pictorial verification of that to this worker once installed before the PI can be approved.

*Marjorie did send pictorial verification of compliance on 12/16/25.

110.8(3) The first-aid kit shall, at a minimum, include adhesive bandages, bottled water, disposable tweezers, and disposable plastic gloves.

Marjorie did not the required water bottle and disposable tweezers.

-Marjorie will need to obtain those 2 items and send pictorial verification to this worker before the PI can be approved.

*Marjorie did send pictorial verification on 12/16/25.

110.8 (4) b : Procedures are in place for:

Evacuation to safely leave the facility,

Relocation to a common, safe location after evacuation, Shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where the child is when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue,

Lock down to protect children and providers from an external situation,

Communication and reunification with families,

Continuity of operations, and

Procedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs.

Marjorie did not have an Emergency Preparedness Plan. She did have the form to use and an example format as well.

-Marjorie will need to develop her EPP and send pictorial verification to this worker before the PI can be approved.

*Marjorie did send pictorial verification on 12/16/25.

Pre-inspection approved as of 12/16/25.

110.9 (1) a : Within six months of becoming registered, a physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, for all household members over the age of 18. Physical exams should be repeated every three years.

Marjorie did not yet have her physical exam on the approved HHS form. She does have the form and has an appointment scheduled on 12/23/25. She did agree to send pictorial verification to this worker once completed. She does have 6 months from Registration to get this completed.



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If you have questions, you may contact me at 319-429-0749 or via email at christy.weber@hhs.iowa.gov

Thank you for your service in providing childcare in your community.

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

NA

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Notes:

Children's files also are not required at a pre-inspection, but this worker did take the time to review the files that Marjorie had started to ensure she has the appropriate and required documentation as she moves forward. She did have some documentation in the computer and some in a file and plans to get it all printed out for consistency.

Marjorie does not plan to take infants, but we did discuss safe sleep policies.

We also discussed the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time as a Category A provider.

This worker did provide her a copy of the annual compliance checklist for her review.

Marjorie does not plan to transport children.

Marjorie does have 2 dogs and 1 chicken. The chicken does have it's own space in the back yard and does not share space with the children. We did discuss that the chickens need to be separate so as not to expose the children to the animal waste. We also discussed that she is not allowed to feed the childcare children the chicken eggs.

Recommendations:

Marjorie did express interest in participating in the Food Program so this worker suggested she reach out to her local CCR&R agency to meet with the Food Program worker.

We also discussed the billing process for CCA approved children. Marjorie will need to work with the payment unit with any questions she has in that regard.

HHS Child Development

Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber

Date: 12/16/2025

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 I encourage you to work with Ashley Cram with Child Care Resource and Referral if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs. Ashley Cram can be reached at 563-362-8224