Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Brandi Kay Hegstrom

Provider Name: Brandi Kay Hegstrom

Provider No.: 52186

Address: 1812 4th ST, Perry, IA, 50220

E-Mail:

County: Dallas

Phone Number: 5157782473

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 10/28/2026

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

1. Basic Overview

Brandi Hegstrom has been a registered childcare provider for over three years. She reported she was a registered CNA and MED manager before starting childcare. She is an IQ4K Level 2 rated childcare. She utilizes Playground to communicate with families. There were five children in care on the day of the visit. She reported that there are children who also attend before and after school. The group was multi aged each was doing their own thing. Toys were out for the crawlers, and the older children had access to blocks to build. The provider reported that she keeps music on in the background throughout the day. The childcare is in a large room at the back of the home. She reported to compliance that families enter via the alley. The current space was under construction last year at the visit, the home had sustained damage after a tree fell on it.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

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Compliance staff observed the provider with the children. She maintained supervision of the children throughout the visit. She uses a calm voice when talking to the children. The children easily approached her during the visit for help.

The provider reports that every day is different in childcare. Most of the time, they have free play, especially with the current ages in care. The older preschool aged children, will do some activities with numbers and letters. Her large window had the Letter T and the Number 8 written on it. She reported that she will take time to help them learn to identify letters and numbers. She does not use a curriculum, but does receive ideas from others.

The provider reported that she has had the police department out for a visit to the childcare. She has also had the fire department out to her home. The children have been able to enjoy an up close visit with these agencies and their vehicles.

She reported that she is learning to communicate with one child who is from an all Spanish speaking family. She is learning and teaching basic sign language with the child to have communication.

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.

**The room that is now used for childcare did not have a smoke detector at the time of the visit. The provider did send compliance a photo of a new smoke detector that had been placed on the wall.

All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites.
Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate, is on file.

**The provider's dog did not have an updated veterinary certificate. She reported that the dog is currently being transitioned to another family member's home and she believes the dog will be out of the home within the next couple of weeks.

Smoke detector checks and drill practice verification

**The provider reported that she maintains all of her documentation on Playground app. She was having difficulty getting on the application, and then difficulty being able to get into the correct tabs on the app to show compliance the days the childcare has completed the drills. Provider will send a screenshot or email with the information she has on Playground showing the documentation of monthly drills and smoke detector checks by November 12, 2026.

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

5. Special Notes/recommendations

2026 targeted compliance measure: Emergency Preparedness Plan. The provider has a completed EP plan that identifies planned actions for evacuation, shelter in place, lockdown, communication and reunification. The plan also addresses continuity of care in the event of a disaster at the location of the childcare.

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6. ADDENDUMS:

- Addendum1: The provider turned in all requested information and photos to compliance staff. Provider is in full compliance.

This Addendum is approved by supervisor on 11/3/2026

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Stacy Burris Date: 10/30/2026

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 Kelly Phelps 515-802-7292