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CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Beth James

Provider Name: Beth James

Provider No.: 21839

Address: 310 3RD ST SW, Waverly, IA, 50677

E-Mail:

County: Bremer

Phone Number: 3199391283

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 8/25/2026

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

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1. Basic Overview

I conducted a compliance visit with Registered Child Development Home Category B provider Beth James on 8/25/2026. Beth has been involved in child care for 28 years. She continues using the second story only of her 2 story home. Beth has a full step system on the outside of her home to serve as the second exit from this level. The whole second story is devoted to child care and the children have multiple attached rooms for activities and napping. Beth had 7 children present during the time of our visit and cares for a total of 8 at this time. She has one HHS-approved substitute/assistant on her registration after recently removing two assistants that no longer work there. Beth has a fenced section of her back yard for an outside play area. She is due for renewal of her registration effective 11/30/2026.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Beth has significant years of experience in child care. Her environment offers lots of options for the children with multiple spaces that Beth can control with gates. She describes her strengths as good communication with the parents and children. She is able to clearly convey her expectations with the parents up front. Beth talked about her empathy with the children, and how she really cares about how their days go. Beth described her curriculum as lots of free play mixed with activities. She likes to work learning into their regular activities. These include lots of reading and regular time outside enjoying the natural world. Beth regularly takes the kids on outings to the local park, and the group was getting ready to go to a park right after our visit.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Beth was in compliance at this time.

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

The 2026 targeted compliance for the Emergency Preparedness Plan was conducted. Beth was in compliance having a play consistent with her current observation.

I encourage Beth to work with Katie Cruise from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.
Katie can be reached at: (319) 530-5265

Beth had one infant under 12 months of age in care during our visit who was awake. We reviewed safe infant sleeping policies.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow Date: 9/8/2026

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