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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Indianola Child Care-Emerson

Provider No.: 28269

Address: 1109 E Euclid, Indianola, IA, 50125

County: Warren

Director's Name: Justine Fridley

On-Site Supervisor: Cheyenne Archibold

Phone Number: 5159619565

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HHS Visit Date: 10/01/2025

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

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 07/08/2025

Comments:

Report Visit Type:

- [ ] PTO
- [X] Licensing Visit
- [ ] Drop In
- [ ] Administrative Change

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [ ] Year-Round
- [X] School Year
- [ ] Summer Only

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HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*
Sunday			
Monday		6:00 AM to 6:00 PM	
Tuesday		6:00 AM to 6:00 PM	
Wednesday		6:00 AM to 6:00 PM	
Thursday		6:00 AM to 6:00 PM	
Friday		6:00 AM to 6:00 PM	
Saturday			

Program Population Served:

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General				99	99
Summer				250	250

1. Basic Overview

Indianola Child Care - Emerson has been in operation since 1996. The center uses the school's cafeteria, gym and the music room for program space. The center also uses the school's playground. The school has secured entrances. Kim Post is the Administrative Director. Kim has served in this role for many years. Cheyenne Archibold is the on site supervisor. She started in August 2019. Cheyenne has an AA in Early Childhood. She has previous experience as an on site supervisor in another daycare prior to coming to Indianola Child Care.

An unannounced visit was completed today. All areas subject to HHS licensing rules were reviewed. Mandatory postings are in place in the cafeteria. A schedule is posted. The current lesson plan/activity schedule was posted. Children's coats and backpacks are placed on hooks in the cafeteria. The center uses a white board that lists the program areas. Children can choose rooms they would like to go to. Staff monitor the white board to ensure ratio requirements are met in all program rooms. The cafeteria has several interest areas set up for children's use.

An unannounced visit was completed today. Cheyenne assisted with today's visit. There were five staff working today. Forty one children were present today. Children were observed in the cafeteria, gym and outdoors today. Children were observed during child directed activities. In the cafeteria, children were playing in the interest areas and doing table activities. Children were playing large motor activities and games and also using chrome books in the gym. Interactions between staff and children were observed to be positive throughout the visit.

The center serves snack after school. ICC purchases snacks from Indianola School District. A snack menu was posted and show CACFP guidelines are followed.

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The center uses the school's playground. The playground has various surfacing materials. The center has completed monthly playground checks.

The center doesn't provide transportation. The center uses school buses for transportation.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

Justine has been employed with ICC for several years. Justine came to ICC with many years of experience in child care. The center has spacious programming space. The rooms are well supplied with age appropriate materials and toys. Children are offered large motor play on a daily basis through the use of the school's gym and playground.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

There were no licensing violations cited during today's visit.

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.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact me (phone 515-362-7823); email melinda.larson@hhs.iowa.gov) so that we may discuss the issue. If necessary, I can make a notation in your record. You may also send a letter that will be included in your licensing file noting any disagreement you may have with this report. If you have the need for any additional information discussed during my visit, please contact me and I will forward the information to you. Thank you.

*Note: If you are a member of the general public, there may be additional information contained in the public file. You may contact the DHS Licensing Consultant to inquire.

Date: 10/05/2025

HHS Licensing Consultant: Melinda Larson, Child Care Licensing Consultant

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Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Care License. Please take steps necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above.

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