Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Denia Davis

Provider Name: Denia Davis

Provider No.: 24505

Address: 1727 C AVE NE, Cedar Rapids, IA, 52402

E-Mail:

County: Linn

Phone Number: 3192807487

☐ Pre-Inspection Date:

☐ Approval Date:

☒ Annual Visit Date: 1/9/2026

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

Denia has been a Registered childcare provider since 1999 (27 years). Denia did participate in the previous quality rating system and was rated at a level 4. Denia shared that when it transitioned to the IQ4K quality rating system she had begun her participation and was almost at a level 4 or 5 but due to it not being completed in a certain timeframe, she lost that status and was told she had to start over. We did again discuss that Quality rating program and she did indicate a plan to re-initiate that process. Denia does participate in the Food Program. Denia has a fenced in yard for outdoor play. Denia does not have any pets. Denia does not have a substitute or assistant. Denia is open to caring for children of all ages.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

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Denia did have nicely written and detailed policies and contract. She did have more than the 2 minimum required policies. Denia did already have documentation that parents are able to submit an exemption for immunizations (either religious or medical) in lieu of the immunization record for each child. This is a new policy effective 7/1/25 and she did already have that covered in her policies.

Denia shared that she communicates very regularly with the parents. She communicates daily, has a monthly email and a message box where parents can leave notes for her at pick up time if needed (due to it sometimes being a bit busy at the actual pick up.) Denia shared that she has Family/parent meetings/potlucks twice per year at the library.

Denia has structure and routine in her day that includes curriculum with the children in addition to free play. She also stressed an importance in outdoor play for the children.

Denia also values being prepared. She has a large duffle bag with numerous items in the event of an emergency, and her tornado area has appropriate supplies and activities for children if they need to utilize that space.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8 (1) g : Has not less than one 2A 10BC rated fire extinguisher in a visible and readily accessible place on each child-occupied floor.

Denia does use her bathroom on the upper level of the home for childcare. She did have a fire extinguisher on that level, but it was not the appropriate size.

*Denia needs to obtain the appropriate size fire extinguisher on the main level and she needs to send pictorial verification to this worker.

Denia did obtain the correct size fire extinguisher on this same date and has already sent pictorial verification to this worker.

A re-check is not needed at this time. The above corrections should be made within 3 weeks (by 1/30/26) and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.
Note: Denia has already corrected the area that was out of compliance.

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:
Denia shared that she does not transport the childcare children.
Denia shared that she does not ever use a swimming pool but will use water tables and other water play.
We did discuss safe sleep policies.
Denia is aware of the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time as a Category C1 provider.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. Denia was in compliance with her EPP.
She was encouraged to review it at least yearly to ensure that no changes need to be made.

Recommendations:
Denia and I did discuss her pursuing and participating in the IQ4K quality rating system. She did express that she would

pursue that accordingly.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 1/9/2026

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 I encourage you to work with Emmeka Hawkins with Child Care Resource and Referral if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs. Emmeka can be reached at 563-499-1853