Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: April Grimm

Provider Name: April Grimm

Provider No.: 22403

Address: 4186 Noble AVE, Little Cedar, IA, 50454

E-Mail:

County: Mitchell

Phone Number: 6418329060

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 9/22/2026

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 April Grimm on 9/22/2026. April has been involved in child care for 31 years. She continues using both levels of her split foyer home. The lower level has a second exit that walks up to the garage. Much of the children's time is spent on the lower level in a large, open room with rubber mat flooring. The children have lots of space. April had 4 children in care during our visit and cares for a total of 7 at this time. She has one HHS-approved assistant though may drop him at her next renewal per no longer using. April's operation is in a rural setting. She uses a Culligan water source for all of her drinking and cooking. April has 4 cats, all with current vet statements on file. April has a large, open yard space for her outdoor play area. She is due to renew her registration effective 2/28/2027.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

April has 31 years of experience in child care and remains very active/hands-on with the children. I observed how well they respond to her. April described her strengths as being very organized, good communication with the parents, flexible, and good attention to the children. April's curriculum consists mostly of free play and lots of outside time. She rotates the toys or play activities for the kids multiple times per day to always keep things fresh. April participates in the Food Program to enhance the nutrition of her snacks and meals.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

April 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. April was in compliance having a plan consistent with her current operation.

I encourage April to work with Shelby Hageman from Child Care Resource and Referral with any ongoing compliance or training needs.
Shelby can be reached at: (319) 433-7760

April had one infant under 12 months of age in care during our visit. I observed an excellent example of safe sleep when I arrived. We reviewed safe infant sleeping policies.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Earl Crow Date: 10/1/2026

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