

Iowa Department of Human Services
CHILD CARE CENTER EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE

Name of Center: Sunshine Day Care Center **Enrollment:** 28 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 25599

Street: 110 NE Grant St **City:** Greenfield **Iowa Zip** 50849 **County:** Adair

Mailing Address: 110 NE Grant St, Greenfield, IA, 50849

Director's Name: Rachel Tener **Phone Number:** 641-743-2866

On-Site Supervisor(s): **E-Mail:** sunshinedc95@gmail.com

Date(s) of Visit: 04-22-2025

X **Licensing Visit** X **Unannounced Visit** **Off Year Visit** **Administrative Change**

LICENSING VISITS

New Application **Re-Application** X **NA**

Signed Application (470-0722) Received **Yes** **No** X **NA** **Date Signed:**

FIRE INSPECTION X **State** **Local** **NA** **Is Fire Inspection Approved?** X **Yes** **No** **NA**

Date Inspected: 01-25-2023

Comments : State Fire Marshal inspections are due at least every three years.

LICENSE TYPE: X **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

Financial Type: Profit X Non-Profit NA

Accreditation: Accredited NAEYC NSACA Other X NA

Program Serves: X Infants (0-23 mo.) X 2 Years X Preschool-Age X School-Age
 Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

HOURS:	<u>Year-round</u>	<u>School-Year</u>	<u>Summer Only</u>		
LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General	15	2	40	10	67
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 04-01-2025 to 04-01-2027
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans

Date: 05-28-2025

I. IF CURRENT LICENSE IS PROVISIONAL, IDENTIFY THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced licensing visit was made on 4-22-2025. Sunshine Daycare Center is a center located in Greenfield, IA. The center provides child care to infant age to school age children. Rachel Tener became the director in May 2024, she was previously an elementary schoolteacher and had an in home child care. The center is non-profit and overseen by a Board. The center closed for a period of time to re organize, complete some remodeling/new appliances and they re opened in March 2023.

There are 28 children enrolled.

I met with Rachel Tener during my licensing visit.

Observation of rooms:

The program rooms look nice. Rachel is in ratio a lot of the time. The rooms were in ratio. The children were having fun participating in a variety of activities. The staff had good interactions with the children, they were attentive to the needs of the children. The daily sheets are on the Brightwheel app. I am recommending the the activity centers be improved. Please consult with your Child Care Resource and Referral worker for consultation on activity center development. Staff must wash the children's hands after diaper changing. Staff were using a wipe in place of hand washing. Please contact your child care nurse consultant for training on hand washing after diaper changing.

Please move plastic bags out of the reach of the children - this is a health and safety hazard.

Cots must be covered.

The daily sheets looked good in the infant room. Indoor surfacing is needed in the infant room for some of the equipment.

The center has a basement which provides additional storage for toys and other items. In addition, staff and children can use the basement area in the event of a tornado.

Nutrition:

The center participates in the federal food program (CACFP). Meals are prepared onsite. Menus were posted.

Health and safety:

Monthly fire/tornado drills were practiced and documented.

Please refer to your handbook for radon testing information as the rules have been updated. The radon testing frequency may have changed for your center. (If scores are over a 4.0 pCi/L you will need to contact the radon specialist with the Iowa Department of Public Health). The last radon test was completed in January 2023 with a 0.5 test result.

Rachel reported that the center has all electric appliances.

The center is using Oxiver tb for sanitizing and disinfecting. Make sure you are using the 3 step bottle procedure 1. Soap/water for cleaning, 2. Water for rinsing and 3. Your EPA approved product for sanitizing and disinfecting. Mix according to the bottle for sanitizing and disinfecting.

A staff person was using baby wipes in place of hand washing a child's hands after diaper changing. Baby wipes can't be used in place of hand washing. Please contact your child care nurse consultant for training on hand washing after diaper changing.

Playground:

The playground needs more surfacing, Rachel stated more surfacing will be added in May 2025. Monthly playground safety inspections were documented.

Transportation:

No daily transportation services are provided. The center takes walking field trips around the area.

Administrative records:

Two staff files were read - one staff needed a physicals (staff physicals must be on the required DHHS staff physical form). Make sure all staff have current physicals.

Child files were read and were incomplete - three files needed emergency contact information for the dentist - the name of the doctor and dentist and their phone numbers are required. Please review all child files and have them updated with the required information.

The center works closely with the board and monthly board meetings are held. Please have regular staff meetings to review licensing rules, staff expectations, concerns the staff have etc.

The center receives grants for equipment and supplies.

Staff meetings are held quarterly and Rachel meets with staff individually on a monthly basis.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Your center is an excellent resource for the community.

Rachel was helpful during my visit. Rachel works with her Child Care Resource & Referral worker Michelle Greenough and the child care nurse consultant Heather Marsh.

The center has received grants.

IV. IDENTIFY THE ASPECTS OF OPERATION THAT FALL BELOW THE STANDARDS REVIEWED:

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Adequate indoor and outdoor space is provided. The outdoor area shall include safe play equipment and area of shade. Sufficient space provided for dining. Sufficient lighting shall be provided. Sufficient ventilation. Sufficient heating. Sufficient cooling. Sufficient bathroom and diapering facilities. Equipment, including kitchen appliances, are maintained so as not to result in burns, shock, or injury to children. Sanitation and safety procedures for the center are developed and implemented to reduce risk or injury or harm to children and reduce transmission of disease. Please move plastic bags out of the reach of the children - this is a health and safety hazard.

109.12(4): Sufficient toilet articles are provided for handwashing. Sufficient and safe indoor play equipment, materials, and furniture that conforms with CPSC or ASTM. Play equipment, materials, and furniture meet the developmental, activity, and special needs of the children. Room's arrangement does not obstruct the direct observation of children. Individual covered mats, beds, or cots, and appropriate bedding is provided for all children who nap. Procedures are developed and implemented to maintain equipment and materials in a sanitary manner. Sufficient spacing is maintained between equipment to reduce transmission of disease and allow ease of movement by children and staff to respond to activities and care needs. Sanitary procedures are followed for use and storage of personal hygiene articles. Additional concerns: Cots need covered.

109.12(5)b: Infants diapered in a sanitary manner as needed in central diapering area. One changing table for every 15 infants/toddlers needing diaper changes. Diapering, sanitation, and handwashing procedures posted and implemented in central diapering area. Additional concerns: Staff must wash the children's hands after diaper changing. Staff were using a wipe in place of hand washing. Please contact your child care nurse consultant for training on hand washing after diaper changing.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for 4-1-2025 - 4-1-2027.

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact your DHS Licensing Consultant to discuss the issue. The child care director may also send a response which will be placed in the licensing file.

*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.