Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Teresa Becker

Provider Name: Teresa Becker

Provider No.: 21630

Address: 1002 South ST, Waterloo, IA, 50702

E-Mail:

County: Black Hawk

Phone Number: 3199610121

[ ] Pre-Inspection Date:

[ ] Approval Date:

[X] Annual Visit Date: 3/2/2026

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:

[X] Infant(0<24 mos)

[X] Toddler

[X] PreSchool

[ ] School Age

[ ] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

Teresa became a registered childcare provider in 2008. She did report that she has about 4-5 years of experience working in a childcare center prior to her registration and also did in home years ago for about few years. She has not participated in the previous quality rating system and does not participate in the current IQ4K quality rating system. Teresa does not participate in the food program. Teresa did share that she does provide healthy food that includes the major food groups. Teresa does currently care for one school-aged child but noted that she primarily will care for children from the ages of infant until they begin Kindergarten. Teresa has a fenced in back yard. She has a number of garden beds and does work with the children in regard to planting and watering and overall care of the garden. She shared that she does offer some of the produce to the families since the children do assist with the planting and such. Teresa does have 2 dogs. She shared that they really do not interact with the childcare children. Teresa does not currently have an approved substitute or assistant.

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2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Teresa had 7 children in care on this date. The children were watching a move while this worker was present.

Teresa has a nice play- room for the children that includes a climbing play structure with balls and a slide and kitchen area. Teresa also had weekly/monthly themes for the children and offers a lot of educational opportunities for the children. She has individual tables for the children to work on various activities. She offers structure in her day that includes free play but also time for playdough and a lot of learning activities.

Teresa's policies were thorough, detailed and nicely written. She had much more than the 2 minimum required policies. Her files for the children and other required documentation was very nicely organized in folders and a binder for easy review.

Teresa has put a lot of detail into her Emergency Plan. She has backpacks for each child that is of walking age to take with if an emergency arises. Those backpacks include snacks, water bottles, blankets and other items that might be handy in an emergency.

Teresa presents as very attentive to quality care for children.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8(1)n. All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites.
Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate, is on file.
Teresa has 2 dogs. The annual pet exams had expired in 2025. Teresa did think they were still valid as the vet had noted the date of expiration in 2026 but that was in reference to the vaccines and not specific to the annual pet exam.
*Teresa will need to obtain an updated pet exam for both dogs.

A re-check is not needed at this time. The above corrections should be made within 3 weeks (by 3/20/26) and will be reviewed at the next annual compliance check.

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:
Teresa shared that she does not transport the childcare children.
Teresa shared that she does not ever use a swimming pool but will use a water table for other water play. She also utilizes water for a mud kitchen that she has outside.
We did discuss safe sleep policies.
We did discuss the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time as a Category B provider.
In discussing the gardening, Teresa shared that for a short time she had some chicks at her home. She noted that she talked with the children about the eggs. We did discuss that the children in childcare are not allowed to eat the fresh eggs from any chickens (as they have not been federally inspected). Teresa was not aware of that but noted that she does not provide breakfast to the childcare children and does not give them eggs.
We did discuss that Teresa might consider getting an approved substitute and the process for that.

As part of the 2026 Targeted compliance the Emergency Preparedness Plan was thoroughly reviewed. Teresa was in

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compliance with her EPP. She did note that she might make a change to include some additional detail but at this time her plan is in compliance.
She was encouraged to review it at least yearly to ensure that no changes need to be made.

Teresa did already have something in writing notifying parents that the state does allow parents 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 so we did discuss this. We did discuss that although the state does allow those, she is not required to accept children that are not immunized.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 3/2/2026

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 Black Hawk County Child Care Resource and referral at 319-233-0804 if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs.