Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Dawn Rice

Provider Name: Dawn Rice

Provider No.: 11388

Address: 21496 Chestnut RD, Council Bluffs, IA, 51503

E-Mail:

County: Pottawattamie

Phone Number: 4026501293

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 12/2/2025

Program Type:

- [ ] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)
- [ ] Registered Child Development Home B
- [X] 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

Dawn and Lee Rice have been providing childcare in the Council Bluffs are for 25 years. They have a group of children that spans all ages. Today in care, there were nine children, part of them playing on the floor with a train set. Others were sitting at a table with other toys. They only have one child under the age of 1. They have 8 other preschool aged children and 9 school aged children who come and go based upon family needs. They currently have one substitute/assistant on their registration and they are looking to add their other daughter as well at their next renewal.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

The childcare floor is set up with stations for the children to play and read. Both providers are actively involved with the children through play and all aspects of the program.

The provider reports excellent relationships with all families that bring their children into care. They all become family by the time the children age out.

All child files are organized and up to date.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

Well water test:

110.8 (1) e : An annual laboratory analysis shows satisfactory bacteriological quality if a private water supply is used. Nitrate analysis when children under 2.

**The providers have received their recent test information, but were unable to locate the paper at the time of the visit. Once this is found, please text a copy to 712-345-0576 no later than February 6. 2026.

Monthly drill and detector check documentation:

Each smoke detector is tested monthly, and a record is kept for inspection purposes.
Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept on file for the current year and previous year.

**The providers have not documented their activity since June 2025. Discussion about the practices of the childcare and encouragement to start documentation of their practices with December 2025. This will be reviewed at the next compliance visit.

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Compliance staff discussed safe sleep, emergency preparedness and shared updated legislative informaiton.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Stacy Burris Date: 12/3/2025

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 Judea Robbins 712-579-7850