Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Heather Little

Provider Name: Heather Little

Provider No.: 44836

Address: 309 W Market ST, New Sharon, IA, 50207

E-Mail:

County: Mahaska

Phone Number: 6412954598

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 12/10/2025

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

Heather Little has been a registered Child Development Home Provider since March of 2015. She currently is a category "B" CDH provider. Heather accepts all ages of children into he Child Development Home. There are both pet cats and dogs in the home. A category "B" provider is allowed to have 8 preschool children with an additional 4 school aged children at one time. If there are more than 8 children in care for over 2 hours, then Heather needs to have an approved assistant present. Heather does not transport children in her care. Heather's identified hours of availability are Monday through Friday from 6am to 5:30pm.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Heather identified the following strengths for her Child Development Home. She communicates effectively with parents for their children's needs. Heather identified she is rarely closed creating strong reliability for the parents to expect. Heather communicated she provides many activities for the children to participate with when they are in her care. Depending on the age of the children she provides free play, reading, and age-appropriate group activities. There is a large assortment of learning posters and activities for the children to utilize while in the Child Development Home. Heather does accept infants. Heather has completed Safe Sleep training and implements the practice with infants 12 months and younger. Heather's main behavioral interventions are redirection and Time Out. Corporal Punishment is not practiced in the home. Children in Heather's care receive regular meals and snacks as appropriate.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

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.
110.8 (3) a : All medicines and poisonous, toxic, or otherwise unsafe materials are secured from access by a child.

1. Each year a DHHS Pet Vet Form needs to be completed for each pet in the home. You indicated you had the blank forms and will text pictures of the completed forms when they are completed by a qualified Vet.

2. There was cleaning chemicals under the bathroom sink, please move any chemicals out of the reach of children or put child locks on the cabinet. This needs to happen immediately.

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

I encourage you to work with your Child Care Resource and Referral Worker (Karen Lauer 641-820-1922) with any compliance or training efforts.

The above corrections need to be completed by 2/14/2026 unless otherwise noted and will be reviewed on your next annual compliance check.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at 515-601-9469 or jake.aringdale@hhs.iowa.gov.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Jake Aringdale Date: 12/11/2025

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