Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Little Warriors Y Club

Provider No.: 52284

Address: 206 S D ST, Sergeant Bluff, IA, 51054

County: Woodbury

Director's Name: Abigail Schultz

On-Site Supervisor: Paige Prescott

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HHS Visit Date: 09/10/2026

Licensing Period: 09/01/2025 to 09/01/2027

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 08/09/2023

Comments:

Report Visit Type:

- [ ] PTO
- [X] Licensing Visit
- [ ] Drop In
- [ ] Administrative Change

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

- [ ] Year-Round
- [X] School Year
- [X] Summer Only

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HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*
Sunday			
Monday		6:30 AM to 6:00 PM	7:30 AM to 5:30 PM
Tuesday		6:30 AM to 6:00 PM	7:30 AM to 5:30 PM
Wednesday		6:30 AM to 6:00 PM	7:30 AM to 5:30 PM
Thursday		6:30 AM to 6:00 PM	7:30 AM to 5:30 PM
Friday		6:30 AM to 6:00 PM	7:30 AM to 5:30 PM
Saturday			

Program Population Served:

- [ ] Infant(0-<24 Months)
- [ ] Toddler
- [ ] PreSchool
- [X] School Age
- [ ] All Ages

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General				128	128
Summer				50	50

1. Basic Overview

On 09/10/26, I conducted an unannounced visit at the Little Warriors Y Club. Director Abigail Schultz is currently out on maternity leave. Ms. Schultz oversees the Siouxland YMCA childcare programs, including the school-age program housed at Dakota Valley School in McCook, South Dakota. She holds a bachelor's degree and brings several years of experience working with children. I was able to speak with Paige Prescott who identifies as the onsite supervisor.

The program operates out of the Sgt. Bluff Elementary School, utilizing both the lunchroom and gym spaces. It serves transitional kindergarten through 5th-grade students and runs throughout the academic year. Operating hours are 6:30–8:30 a.m. and 3:15–6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, with an adjusted Wednesday afternoon schedule once a month from 2:20–6:00 p.m. A summer program is also offered, capped at 50 participants.

At the time of my visit, the program had 110children enrolled, with 100 present. I reviewed all program components, including activity spaces, daily practices, nutrition, safety procedures, transportation and field trip protocols, and administrative review.

Children have access to a wide selection of activity centers—art, kitchen play, books, games, crafts, computers, puzzles, and Legos—supported by ample materials and equipment. A posted schedule provides structure for daily activities. The program follows a STEAM-focused curriculum that integrates science, technology, engineering, art, and math, encouraging hands-on exploration, critical thinking, and problem-solving. The gym is used to promote large-motor development, and staff were consistently observed interacting positively with children, joining activities, offering support, and encouraging participation. Homework assistance is provided to students who need extra help, with staff supplying guidance and resources. Staff consistently displayed positive interactions with the children, and I observed a well-established routine and

schedule. The children were following directions, enjoying their activities, and actively participating throughout the observation.

Safety practices were reviewed, and the first aid kit was well stocked for minor injuries. Monthly fire and tornado drill documentation, along with playground inspection records. Radon testing has been completed. Playground inspections are complete. The playground is well cared for and the equipment is in good repair.

The program provides snacks aligned with CACFP guidelines. During summer months, children bring lunches, which are stored properly in a temperature-controlled refrigerator. The freezer requires defrosting. Morning academic activities and afternoon field trips are part of the summer schedule, with transportation provided by YMCA buses to various destinations such as Y facilities, local parks, and community sites.

The center emphasizes and actively incorporates the Y's core values into its daily practices, such as caring for one another, promoting honesty in interactions, fostering respect among children and staff, and encouraging responsibility through positive routines and expectations.

The goal of this program is to obtain IQ4K certification.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

Little Warriors serves as a vital resource for the community, bridging the gap between the end of the school day and the time parents return home from work. Beyond providing safe supervision, the program supports families by fostering academic readiness, promoting positive social development, and offering structured enrichment activities that strengthen both children and the broader community.

Staff were actively engaged with the children, joining in activities and offering consistent guidance. The children demonstrated strong positive behavior—showing enthusiasm, following expectations, and participating respectfully and cooperatively throughout the activities

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

109.7(2): Center directors and all staff have the required contact hours of training. Please ensure that all staff are in the IPOWER system and that training records are updated and uploaded. Please request the role of onsite supervisor in IPOWER.

109.11(8)c: All centers: Annual inspection prior to heating season of all fuel-burning appliances to reduce risk of carbon monoxide poisoning and shall install one carbon monoxide detector on each floor that conforms to UL Standard 2034. Fire Marshal inspection is not current.

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

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

Targeted Assessment: Behavior Management
I discussed with Paige the oversight of behavior management related to helping childcare staff: 1) Understand expectations, 2) managing frustrations, 3) monitor performance.

The program demonstrates effective behavior management through clear expectations, consistent routines, and proactive staff support. Paige explained that staff receive guidance to help them understand behavioral expectations, manage frustrations appropriately, and stay aware of their own performance. The structured schedule and predictable routines greatly reduce opportunities for negative behaviors, allowing staff to focus on positive reinforcement, redirection strategies, and maintaining a calm, supportive environment for all children.

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The director needs to email consultant by 11/01/256 confirming that all aspects that fall below standards have been corrected. It is recommended to continue to work with CCRR for support.

A full license is recommended at this time at this time.

At least one visit will be made to the center during the next year.

Date: 09/11/2026

HHS Licensing Consultant: Leann Steinhauer

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Care License. Please take steps necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above.

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