

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

Name of Center: Sunshine Day Care Center **Enrollment:** 51 **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: Susan Taylor **Phone Number:** 641-743-2866

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

Date(s) of Visit: 08-31-2020

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

LICENSING VISITS

New Application X **Re-Application** NA

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 12-14-2018

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

Date Inspected: 02-10-2020

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: 2

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	FULL license from 04-01-2019 to 04-01-2021
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Kathy DeGeorge-Evans

Date: 09-10-2020

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

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

An unannounced off year licensing visit was made on 8-31-2020. Sunshine Daycare Center is a center located in Greenfield, IA. The center serves children ages two weeks in age through 12 years of age. Susan Taylor is the director, she has worked at the center for fifteen years and became the director in October 2017 (she was previously the on-site supervisor). The center is non-profit and overseen by a Board. Brianna Taylor became an on-site supervisor in 10-2017. I met with Susan Taylor during my off year licensing visit. There are fifty one children enrolled.

The center remained open throughout the Covid 19 pandemic. They are following the daily Covid 19 procedures outlined in the Child Care Resource and Referral constant contact emails.

Observation of rooms:

All program areas were observed and were in ratio. The children were observed participating in a variety of activities. The staff had excellent interactions with the children, they were positive, nurturing and attentive to the needs of the children.

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.

The center has developed their own learning curriculum. I am recommending that you work with your Child Care Resource and Referral worker to improve your lesson plans/activities. Lesson plans should be more detailed and include meaningful content of what was done during the day.

You have several types of bouncy seats, swings, exersaucers etc. I counted five types of child containers, I am recommending that you remove some of these pieces of equipment. Minimal to no use of this type of equipment is recommended. Please monitor how long and how often children are placed in these pieces of equipment - minimal use is recommended.

Nutrition:

The center participates in the federal food program (CACFP). The school provides the lunch and the center prepares the breakfast and snacks.

Proper food storage was observed.

Health and safety:

Monthly fire/tornado drills are practiced and documented.

Radon testing was done in January 2019 and both test results were in the acceptable range. Radon testing is due every two years.

Make sure you have an annual fuel burning inspection. Your last annual furnace inspection was last conducted on 3/22/19.

You will need to make sure staff place their purses and personal belongings out of the reach of the children. During my visit a staff persons purse was accessible to children.

In the two years and older area there was a large heavy TV that wasn't secured and is considered a safety hazard. Please have the TV secured or have it removed.

I am recommending that you remove push pins/tacks from all program areas and hall ways in the center as they are

considered a safety hazard, you can staple items to bulletin boards etc.

Please review sanitizing and disinfecting procedures and products with your child care nurse consultant. You should be using a three bottle procedure for both. 1. Soap/water for cleaning, 2. Water for rinsing and 3. Your EPA approved product for sanitizing or disinfecting. Three bottles for sanitizing and three separate bottles for disinfecting.

Please review the diaper changing procedure with staff and make sure they are not placing items on the diaper changing table that may cause cross contamination. During my visit there were a couple pair of children's shoes on the diaper changing table.

The center is cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting more during the Covid 19 pandemic.

Playground:

The center has nice playground areas. More pea gravel is needed. Susan reported that they are having the piece of equipment secured to the cement. Monthly playground inspections are completed.

Transportation:

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

Administrative records:

Two staff files were reviewed and were in good order. Four children's files were reviewed and were in good order.

The center works closely with the board and monthly board meetings are held. Susan has staff monthly staff meetings.

The center participates in the Quality Rating System (QRS) and are a level II.

The center receives grants for equipment and supplies.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

Your center is a wonderful resource for the community.

Susan has worked at the center fifteen years and has been the director since October 2017. She is confident as the director and is very enthusiastic and proud of the center.

Staff had great interactions with the children, they were positive, nurturing and meeting the needs of the children.

Some staff have excellent longevity at the center.

The center receives grants and they continue to make improvement in the program rooms and to the playground area.

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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.

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109.12(1): Program structure that uses developmentally appropriate practices and written program of activities planned to the developmental needs of children served. Program complements but does not duplicate school curriculum. Schedule of program is posted in a place visible to parents.

I am recommending that you work with your Child Care Resource and Referral worker to improve your lesson plans/activities. Lesson plans should be more detailed and include meaningful content of what was done during the day.

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: Please don't place items on the diaper changing table such as shoes as this is considered cross

contaminating. Please review your diaper changing procedures with your child care nurse consultant and/or your Child Care Resource and Referral worker, and train staff. You should be using the three bottle procedure for sanitizing and disinfecting. 1. Soap/water bottle for cleaning 2. Water for rinsing and 3. EPA approved product for sanitizing and disinfecting. Three bottles needed for each sanitizing and disinfecting.

109.11(7)c All centers - annual inspection prior to heating season of all fuel burning appliances to reduce risk of carbon monoxide poisoning. Let me know the date of your current annual fuel burning inspection.

Please send me an email by September 24, 2020 and let me know how the items listed above have been corrected.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

A full license is recommended for 4-1-2019 - 4-1-2021.

Please send me an email by September 24, 2020 and let me know how the non compliance areas listed above have been corrected.

*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.