Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Nicole Booker

Provider Name: Nicole Booker

Provider No.: 10897

Address: 305 N Sycamore ST, Shenandoah, IA, 51601

E-Mail:

County: Page

Phone Number: 7122152971

[ ] Pre-Inspection Date:

[ ] Approval Date:

[X] Annual Visit Date: 2/27/2026

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

1. Basic Overview

Nicole Booker has been a childcare provider for over 24 years. She currently is registered as a two-provider home with Katheryn Neal. The co-provider was not present at the visit. At this visit, the provider had three children in her care. She reported that school is not in session on this date and most of the children are with parents or other family. The provider reported that her co-provider is not usually at her home until later in the day when their numbers will go over 8 children in care. She reported that with the preschool schedule, her numbers stay under 8 until the preschool is out mid afternoon or on Wednesdays. The provider also has three substitutes and one assistant for extra help in the childcare. The provider uses the main floor of her home for childcare. There is a large room with toys that is used for play. There is also a sunroom that is currently set up for infants and smaller toddlers for sleep time. They use the living room and dining room for play, napping and some tv time. The provider utilizes the food program and provides two full meals and a snack daily for children in care. The provider reported that they have a basic schedule, but the younger children are normally engaged in free play activities.

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When older children are present, they will do more activities to keep busy during the day. The children also utilize a large area for outdoor play. This area has riding and climbing toys for children of all ages.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

The provider works with all ages of children. She is an established care provider in the community.

The children in care were observed to easily approach the provider when they had needs and she was able to assist them.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.7 (2) e : The provider maintains a written record of the number of hours substitute care is provided, including the date and the name of the substitute.

**The provider reported that it is possible her co-provider had that information outside of the childcare home as she does the business books.
Please send compliance staff copies by photos or email of the forms that you use to document the times when a substitute has had to cover for either one of you. The time frame I would like to see is September 2025 to February 2026. This is due to compliance staff by March 31, 2026.

110.8 (1) c : Combustible materials are kept away from furnaces, stoves, gas dryers, or water heaters by a minimum of three feet.
**Walking in the basement, it was crowded with items and compliance staff found that the area around the water heater had items that were next to it. These items need to be moved away from the area to maintain the three foot distance.

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.

**There are five pets in the home. The provider will need to get updated physicals on three of the pets as their annual shot has lapsed. This will be reviewed at your next compliance visit.

110.9 (2) c : Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within six months of employment.

**Please ensure that your assistant Makinze has completed the two hour MCART training and that you have a copy in the file. This will be reviewed at your next compliance visit.

110.9 (3) c : Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within three months of employment.

**Substitute Mason did not have a copy of the completed MCART training in the file. This will be reviewed at your next compliance visit.

110.9 (4) e : For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.

**Two of the three children in care on this date are in need of an updated physical in their file. This will be reviewed at your next compliance visit.

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

5. Special Notes/recommendations

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2026 targeted compliance measure: Emergency Preparedness Plan. The provider has a completed EP plan that identifies planned actions for evacuation, shelter in place, lockdown, communication and reunification. The plan also addresses continuity of care in the event of a disaster at the location of the childcare.

A reminder that the First Aid/CPR training will expire for Nicole, Katheryn, Mason and Destiny in April 2026. Please ensure that you retake this training by the end of April 2026.

In regards to the teenage child that visits your home at times when school is out. Please add them to your registration as a regular household visitor. Due to the age of the child, they will also need to fill out the background check form.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Stacy Burris Date: 3/5/2026

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 Shelby Nelson 712-579-8899