Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Lauren's Busy Bees Child Care

Provider Name: Lauren's Busy Bees Child Care

Provider No.: 52931

Address: PO BOX 11, Minden, IA, 51553

E-Mail:

County: Pottawattamie

Phone Number: 3194321254

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 8/25/2026

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:

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

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1. Basic Overview

Lauren Nelson has been a registered childcare provider for the past year. Previous to being registered, she had provided childcare services for seven years. The provider had nine children in care on this date. The provider is not over numbers as she has an approved exception for an additional child on a temporary basis. She reported that when preschool starts on Thursday, that three children will be gone during most days. The provider is interested in expanding her childcare and she is currently looking into options to expand. The children were playing with toys when compliance staff arrived. The provider was just getting ready for circle time, so the clean up song came on. The children put away the toys and met on a rug. They discussed the days of the week and todays date. The theme of the week is family. The provider had a book on family that she read to the children. They talked about being like a family in childcare. The childcare is held on the main floor of the home. There is an eating and craft area. The children were coloring homes and people when compliance staff was done with the visit. The other area of the home has toy stations set up and this space is also utilized for napping area.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Compliance staff was able to observe the provider with the children in care. The children all looked to the provider for direction during the visit. Compliance staff heard the provider talk directly to a child about keeping their feet to themselves. Very shortly after this, the provider asked the child to move next to her as their feet were still in another child's area. The provider talked to the child about keeping their body parts to themselves so that no one is hurt. The provider reported that she usually does not have to have a child sit next to her. Redirection usually takes care of any issue she has.

Just like family week, the provider has a theme for every week. She will find activities, books and other items to support the theme. This week, each family is sharing their favorite dessert for snack.

The provider remained actively engaged with all of the children during the visit.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

The provider is in full compliance with regulation standards.

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

5. Special Notes/recommendations

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.

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HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Stacy Burris Date: 8/25/2026

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 Judea Robbins 712-579-7850