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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Sibley Head Start

Provider No.: 30236

Address: 115 Maple Drive, Sibley, IA, 51249

County: Osceola

Director's Name: Angie Mitchell

On-Site Supervisor: Kayla Ross

Phone Number: 7122981241

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HHS Visit Date: 09/30/2025

Licensing Period: 04/01/2024 to 04/01/2026

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 05/19/2022

Comments: . Address change for this program from 921 1st St NE Sibley Ia 51249 to their current address of 115 Maple Drive Sibley Ia 51249. Inspection was completed at the current address.

Report Visit Type:

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

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

Quality Rating: 2

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

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

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Program Population Served:

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General			20		20
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

This worker completed an unannounced visit at Sibley Head Start on 04/16/25. I was able to speak with Kalli Johnson who is the new teacher there. Also present was the on-site supervisor Amy Loertz. The Director for Upper Des Moines Head Start Program is Angie Mitchell who was not present. The program is administered through Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc. The program operates Monday through Friday 8:00am to 3:00pm (Wednesdays 8:30am to 1:00pm) for children ages 3 to 5 years of age.
The center moved to the lower level of the Sibley Christian Reformed Church at 115 Maple Drive Sibley IA . Staff open the door for any visitors. The door is located on the West side of the church and goes directly into the playground area. The playground is not fenced but it is not located on the street side of the building. There were 15 children present my visit.
At the time of my arrival the children were eating lunch. I observed good sanitary habits. Staff were seated with the children and eating lunch together. The local public school provides meals for the center. Staff were very engaging with students at lunchtime as children would ask questions and staff answered their many questions. The environment was very positive.
The center uses creative curriculum and has their daily schedule of activities posted. Children have access to a bathroom. Displayed throughout the room were numbers, colors, pictures of children's families, helper list, picture schedule for the children, children's artwork, pictures of children doing various activities, shapes and the alphabet.
After lunch, while one staff member was cleaning up the other staff engaged the children with a music program on the television. The children were very interested in the music and were singing along. There was a lot of positive affirmation for the children in this center.
The center does not store any food items. The center meets the CACFP guidelines for nutrition and does provide the children with healthy snacks. Menus are posted. The children brush their teeth after breakfast and lunch.
There are currently no children on medication
I observed good hand washing procedures by staff and children. Their first aid kit is sufficient to treat minor injuries.
Fire/tornado drills are documented each month.
Radon testing has been completed, and levels were high. They are currently working on a mitigation system All the required postings were visible. The center's discipline practices consist of talking to the children, PBIS and turtle time chair (Tucker turtle program) to help resolve behavior issues. There is a nice room arrangement that allows for teaching curriculum and play canter time. There is good flow from one activity to the next.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

The Center has completed Emergency Preparedness plan.

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The program is on IQ4K level 2.

There are two conferences with parents and two home visits each year. This center serves the whole family.

This program is well organized and has a very positive nurturing environment.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

109.9(2)b: All files contain sufficient information and authorization to allow the center to secure emergency medical and dental services at any time child is in center's care.
Number not in compliance for dental: 1

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

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

Please send this information to the licensing consultant by 07/01/25.

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

Date: 09/30/2025

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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