Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Mindy Crawford

Provider Name: Mindy Crawford

Provider No.: 53041

Address: 340 20th St NW, Cedar Rapids, IA, 52405

E-Mail:

County: Linn

Phone Number: 3193436604

[X] Pre-Inspection Date: 12/16/2025

[ ] Approval Date:

[ ] Annual Visit Date:

Program Type:

[X] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)

[ ] 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:

[ ] Infant(0<24 mos)

[ ] Toddler

[X] PreSchool

[X] School Age

[ ] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

A Pre-inspection was completed on 12/16/25 as Mindy is just getting started as a Registered Childcare provider. Mindy shared that she currently works outside of the home during daytime hours at HCAP in a 2-3 year old classroom. She previously was the lead in a Pre-school wrap around program for 9 years. She did participate in the TEACH and WAGES program and been a trainer of those programs as well. She does not currently have any children enrolled but noted she is open to 2nd and 3rd shift care if needed as well as weekends and summers or other days off from her primary employer. She does not plan to care for infants and toddlers but prefers preschool aged or school aged children. Mindy only has one level in her home where childcare will be provided. Mindy does have a dog that is primarily outside but does sleep in the home at night. Mindy does plan to transport children and has the appropriate items in her vehicle. Mindy does not have an approved substitute or assistant.

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2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Mindy described a plan to have structured play and free play as well. Primarily she shared that she is used to structured time due to her experience in the center childcare setting. Mindy does plan to obtain additional outside toys but currently has a variety of toys. Mindy does have a fenced in yard and indicated an understanding of the importance of outdoor play.

Mindy did already have a contract developed. She had written policies in regard to responding to health-related emergencies and an illness policy. These are not required at the Pre-inspection. She did not have written documentation of her notifying parents that an exception for immunizations (religious or medical) can be provided in lieu of the immunization record. We did add that to her contract/policies while this worker was present and this is not required at the PI. She also had additional information in her contract, and it gave good information about herself and the childcare setting. She presented as very organized.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

110.8 (1) g : Has not less than one 2A 10BC rated fire extinguisher in a visible and readily accessible place on each child-occupied floor.

Mindy did not have the appropriate size fire extinguisher. She does have one on order.

-Mindy needs to obtain the correct size fire extinguisher and send pictorial verification to this worker before the PI can be approved.

*Mindy did obtain the correct size fire extinguisher and sent pictorial verification to this worker on 12/18/25.

110.8 (1) h : Has a minimum of one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway.

Mindy was missing a smoke detector in the living room and a bedroom that she does plan to use for childcare.

-Minday needs to install 2 additional smoke detectors and send pictorial verification to this worker before the PI can be approved.

*Mindy did obtain the 2 additional smoke detectors and installed them in the appropriate rooms. She did send pictorial verification to this worker on 12/18/25.

The Pre-inspection is approved as of 12/18/25.

If you have questions, you may contact me at 319-429-0749 or via email at christy.weber@hhs.iowa.gov

Thank you for your service in providing childcare in your community.

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

NA

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Notes:
Children's files are not required at the time of the Pre-inspection, but this worker did take the time to review the paperwork that is required to ensure she has the appropriate documentation as she moves forward.

Mindy does not plan to take infants, but we did discuss safe sleep policies.
This worker did provide her a copy of the annual compliance checklist for her review.
Mindy does plan to offer transportation for children, and she does have the required items in her vehicle.
Mindy does not currently have a pool or plan to use one.
We did discuss the number of children that Mindy is allowed to have at one time as a Category A provider.
Mindy did recently get licensed as a Foster Parent and we did discuss that any children of her own (including foster children) will count towards the number of children she is allowed to care for at one time.

Recommendations:

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Mindy did express some interest in participating in the Food Program.
Mindy also shared that she loves to learn and we did discuss the IQ4K quality rating program. This worker encouraged her to reach out to her local CCR&R supports for more information on both of those programs.

We briefly discussed the billing process for CCA approved children. Mindy will need to work with the payment unit with any questions she has in that regard.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Christine Weber Date: 12/18/2025

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 I encourage you to work with Emmeka Hawkins with Child Care Resource and Referral if you have any ongoing compliance or training needs. Emmeka Hawkins can be reached at 563-499 -1853.