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CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Tracy Edminster

Provider Name: Tracy Edminster

Provider No.: 51399

Address: 5125 Saratoga RD, Dubuque, IA, 52002

E-Mail:

County: Dubuque

Phone Number: 5635439512

- [ ] Pre-Inspection Date:
- [ ] Approval Date:
- [X] Annual Visit Date: 9/18/2025

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

Tracy started in the early childhood field when she was 16 years old. Tracy worked in a preschool classroom for 15 years, at Head Start for 16 1/2 years, and has now been a registered child care provider for the past 4 years. Tracy accepts children aged birth through 5 year olds and provides first shift care only Monday through Fridays. Tracy has a preschool program built in to her daily routine. Tracy utilizes learning resources in her environment and teaches children skills to work together and on teams. Tracy does not use TV time often as developmentally Tracy knows that other activities help children grow more. Tracy describes her child care as 'nurturing' with positive interactions. Tracy added that children only "get to be little once" so they get to be little in her care.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Tracy views her greatest strengths as providing an "organized, safe, and clean space for littles". This worker observed many strengths during the visit. Tracy's environment is extremely child-friendly with various areas identified throughout, including a calming corner, STEM activities, art and journaling, as well as a huge variety of age appropriate learning toys. The calming corner contains a basket of items to assist kids in calming down if they are needing some time away from other children. Some of the items included in the basket are Tucker the turtle book and stuffed animal, 'stress' toys, feeling cards, and pop its. Tracy also has a picture type calendar on one door that allows children to know what they are currently working on and what may be coming up in the next months (ie. Apples, Kindness Day, Penguins, etc...) The kids enjoy talking about the pictures with Tracy. Tracy maintains her required paperwork in a very organized fashion making compliance visits easy to locate needed items.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

N/A

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

N/A

5. Special Notes/recommendations

Please contact CCRR consultant to discuss Growing Iowa grant.

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Kathy Huinker Date: 9/18/2025

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 Cherie Kennedy Child Care Consultant Child Care Resource & Referral of Northeast Iowa Exceptional Persons, Inc. cherie.kennedy@episervice.org p (563) 557-1628 | f (563) 582-5572 I toll free (866) 296-5331 2728 Asbury Road | Cove Building | Dubuque, IA 52001 | www.iowaccrr.org