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CHILD CARE CENTER ANNUAL EVALUATION

Name of Center: Panorama Daycare Center

Provider No.: 52454

Address: 1301 East Church ST, Panora, IA, 50216

County: Guthrie

Director's Name: Christine Litwiller

On-Site Supervisor: Kristen Kiltr

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HHS Visit Date: 06/04/2026

Licensing Period: 07/01/2026 to 07/01/2028

Fire Inspection:

Date Inspected: 02/27/2024

Comments: State Fire Marshal inspections are due every three years per licensing regulations.

Report Visit Type:

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

License Type:

- [X] Full
- [ ] Provisional

Quality initiative:

- [ ] Accrediation

Program Duration:

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

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HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*
Sunday			
Monday	5:30 AM to 6:30 PM		
Tuesday	5:30 AM to 6:30 PM		
Wednesday	5:30 AM to 6:30 PM		
Thursday	5:30 AM to 6:30 PM		
Friday	5:30 AM to 6:30 PM		
Saturday			

Program Population Served:

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

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Aged	Capacity
General	8	12	29	46	95
Summer					0

1. Basic Overview

A licensing inspection was conducted on 6/4/26. The owner/director was present throughout the inspection.

All areas of the program were observed. These areas observed consisted of classroom observations and activities, ratios, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observation, field trip and transportation practices, and administrative review.

Panorama Daycare Center is a center located in Panora, IA that was given permission to open on 4/29/24. The center serves children six weeks in age through 12 years in age using their own learning curriculum that they developed using several other learning curriculums. There are a total of six classrooms. There are drop in services available. At the time of the inspection, total child enrollment was 95 children.

The owner and director of this center is Christine Litwiller. Christine has an AA degree in Early Childhood Education and has past experience working in child care. The on-site supervisor is Kristen Kiltr. Kristen meets requirements for on-site supervisor.

NUTRITION: The center serves an AM snack, lunch, and PM snack to children. Children eat in their classrooms at the child-size tables and chairs. The center has a cook and a full kitchen. Menu items were credible per CACFP. There were some issues with dry food storage.

TRANSPORTATION/FIELD TRIPS: The center does not transport or go on field trips. The center will bring in different agencies from time to time for presentations to children.

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PLAYGROUND: The center has two fenced in playground areas. Both areas are very large and consist of climbing structures and grassy areas for children to play. There are also riding toys for a sidewalk area. The climbing structures have shade structures built into the structures. There is a shed to store outdoor play equipment. It is recommend a lock or closing hook be used on this shed. Monthly playground inspections are being conducted.

During the inspection, one classroom was getting ready to eat lunch. Children all stated they washed their hands before sitting down at the child-size tables and chairs waiting for lunch to be served. Another classroom was wrapping up free-choice play at the different learning stations in the classroom and getting ready to wash hands and sit down for lunch. In the toddler classroom, children were getting ready to take naps. In the infant classroom, one child was napping in a crib and another child was being held by staff. Toys and other classroom equipment is being cleaned and sanitized daily. Diapering tables are disinfected after each use. Children gave specific answers as to where they relocate to for monthly fire and tornado drills.

As it pertains to more difficult child behaviors, the owner/director stated staff make an attempt to get to know children and their families. Extra staff are placed in classrooms if able during difficult times and/or the director stated she will go into classrooms for extra assistance. An effort is made to keep children busy with activities so they don't get bored. Protocols are continuously reviewed and adjusted as needed. Staff will process with children their behaviors and better choices to make.

2. Identify Observed Strengths of the program

Enrollment has again increased over the past year indicating a need in the community.

The owner/director is organized.

The center works regularly with CCR&R. The director participates in quarterly meeting with other area directors of other centers when she's able.

There is a lot of storage space.

The playground space is very large.

There is a break room for staff.

The center uses the Playground electronic app for forms and communication with parents.

The center has a Yoga and other fitness programs for children to participate.

There is a secure entrance into the program.

The center was very clean and had good lighting throughout.

There are drop in services available.

The center is a pick up/drop off site for school-age children during the school year.

3. Identify the aspects that fall below the standard

109.9(1)b: All files contain a pre-employment physical exam report completed within six months prior to hire and at least every three years. Physical exams shall be documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report.
One newer staff is past due for a physical. New staff have six months to get a physical and this staff person was past that time frame.

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109.9(2)h: Signed and dated valid Certificate of Immunization, Certificate of Immunization Exemption, or Provisional Certificate of Immunization, provided by the department must be on file for each child enrolled as required by Iowa Administrative Code 641—7.
While all children appeared to have immunization records, two immunization records were not signed/dated.

109.9(2)i: Preschool (for children five years and younger not enrolled in school): Physical exam report submitted within 30 days of admission, was obtained no more than 12 months prior to admission, is signed by a licensed MD, DO, Chiropractor, PA, or ARNP, and contains health history; present health status including allergies, medications, and acute/chronic conditions; and recommendations for continued care if necessary.
One younger child did not have a physical on file and another school-age child was missing an annual health statement signed by a parent.

109.11(2)b: Program space must meet the following conditions: Room must be arranged so as not to obstruct the direct observation of children by staff. Individual covered mats, bed, or cots and appropriate bedding will be provided for all children who nap. Equipment and materials are maintained in a sanitary manner. Sufficient spacing must be maintained. The center will have sufficient toilet articles for each child for hand washing.
When in storage, children's bedding should not be touching other children's bedding.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free. Sufficient lighting shall be provided. Sufficient ventilation. Sufficient heating. Sufficient cooling. Equipment placed in the program area is maintained so as not to result in injury to the children.
There was one dangling cord (cell phone charging cable) that needs to be placed in a different area of the classroom so it is not freely dangling out of an outlet and accessible to children.

109.13(5)b: Sanitary and safe methods in food preparation, serving, and storage sufficient to prevent transmission of disease, infestation, and spoilage are followed. Staff preparing food that have injuries on hands wear protective gloves. Staff serving food use clean serving utensils and have clean hands/wear protective gloves.
There were a few issues with dry food storage (cereals) that were not sufficiently sealed after being opened.

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

The below standards identified at this year's inspection should be corrected as soon as possible and before next year's inspection.

5. Special Notes/Recommendations

Radon testing was conducted 6/6/25 - 6/9/25. All classrooms came back with radon levels below the 4.0 cutoff. Because levels were below 4.0, the center can move to testing for radon at least every five years now. So long as radon levels remain below 4.0, they can remain on a five year plan. If at the next testing, levels in any classroom come back 4.0 or higher, the center will have to have a mitigation plan, retest, and at least temporarily move back to testing every two years.

The annual HVAC inspection was last completed 1/7/26.

I-Power and IQ4K were discussed. It appears all staff have I - Power profiles. Staff will need to continue to upload their training certificates. The owner stated she is still contemplated IQ4K.

It is recommended the center get a lock or clip for the shed on the playground.

It was noted that one child needs their paperwork signed/dated to indicate an annual update was completed.

A new, full, two-year license is recommended.

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HHS Licensing Consultant: Nate Knepper

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.

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 **https://iowaccrr.org**.