#### **EARLY CHILDHOOD**

Young children are the foundations of our community. Sac County is fortunate to have a variety of quality programs available to families for the care and education of their young children.

The intent of this brochure is to provide residents of Sac County with a list of resources when looking for child care, preschool, or early childhood services.

Iowa's early childhood mission is:

Every child beginning at birth will be healthy and successful.



#### **Crawford County Coalition:**

Meets on a bi-monthly basis to share information and discuss the needs of the community. In an effort to be able to identify current services and plan for the future.

Meetings are set for the third Tuesday of the month at 1:00 pm. Meeting months: February, April, June, August, October, and December. For more information, please contact BVCS Early Childhood Iowa at 712-673-4610.

Additional information and resources available at http://bvcsearlychildhoodiowa.org

### Public Libraries

Call to check on children's services and or story hours offered at the library.

Charter Oak | 461 Railroad Ave 51439 https://www.charteroak.lib.ia.us/ 712-678-3425

Ida Grove Public Library

https://www.idagrove.lib.ia.us/

712-364-2306

Norelius Community Library | 1403 1<sup>st</sup> Ave South 51442

https://www.denison.lib.ia.us/

712-273-5334

Odebolt Public Library | 200 S. Walnut 51458 https://www.odebolt.lib.ia.us/

712-668-2718

Schleswig Library | 202 Cedar St 51461

https://www.schleswig.lib.ia.us/

712-676-3470

What can
Crawford County

offer

your child
From birth to 5 years of age?





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# Child Care

## Preschools

# Early Childhood Services

#### Child Care Resource & Referral

Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) provides resources education and advocacy to support quality child care. They <u>assist families in finding child care</u> that meets their needs and talk to parents about quality child care indicators. **Child Care Consultants** provide onsite consultation to preschools, centers, homes and before and after school programs. CCR&R also provides professional development to child care professionals and data to community leaders.

877-216-8481 or 712-786-2001 http://www.iwaccrr.org

Referrals – Parent Educator: 855-244-5301

**Child Care Hotline: 844-786-1296** report an issue with a child care program.

Iowa law limits the number of children child care homes may care for.

Registered Child Development Homes may care for six or more children at one time and agree to meet minimum requirements in all areas of child development home operation. The Iowa DHS has three categories for registration, based on size of house, education, and years of experience.

**Non-registered Home Providers** can care for five or fewer children at one time (including their own). The Iowa DHS has a process in place for providers who want to receive Child Care Subsidy payments.

Child Care Centers and Preschools are either licensed by the Iowa Department of Human Services or regulated by the Iowa Department of Education. These programs must be in compliance with standards set forth by their respective departments.

## **Children's Imagination Station**

1826 3rd Ave South Denison 712-263-7100 Serving children 4 weeks to 11 years.

**Boyer Valley Campus Care** 

212 S School St Dow City 712-674-3826 Serving Children 6 weeks to 12 years.

#### Ar-We-Va Little Rockets

108 Clinton Street Westside 712-663-4313

Charter Oak Ute CSD

321 Main St Charter Oak 712-678-3325

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**Denison Community School District** 

20th Street elementary Denison 712-263-3104

IKM Manning/Manila/Kirkman/Irwin

100 Eva Street Irwin 712-782-3126

**Immanuel Lutheran** 

501 Glad St Schleswig 712-676-2235

Saint Rose of Lima

1012 2nd Ave South Denison 712-263-5408

**Unity Ridge** 

1004 1st Ave South Denison 712-263-4766

#### **Head Start & Early Head Start**

West Central Community Action Corporation; Head Start/Early Head Start provides center based preschool services for income eligible families with children 3-5 years old in addition to a center based program for children 0-2 years old.

800-698-5886

http://westcentralca.org

#### **Preschool Scholarships**

BVCS ECI offers Preschool Tuition Assistance at participating area preschools. 712-673-4610 http://bvcsearlychildhoodiowa.org

Department of Human Services located at 608 North Court Carroll, IA 712-792-4391 or 866-202-5968 On-line applications (OASIS): Child Care Subsidy, Food Assistance, hawk-I, Family Investment Program etc. http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/ Crawford County Home Health, Hospice & Public Health - Programs: Denison, IA 712-263-3303 <a href="http://crawfordcountyhealth.com">http://crawfordcountyhealth.com</a>

-Family STEPS <u>Support To Experience Parenting</u>
<u>Success</u>: A home visitation program for families with children prenatal to 5. 712-263-3303

-Helping Communities Connect Multi Services
Child – Adolescent health & oral health programs:
I-Smile ~ Child Health Nursing Visits ~ Child Care
Nurse Consultant ~ Hawk-I ~ Lead screenings ~
Presumptive Medical Eligibility 712-263-3303.
https://www.crawfordcountyhealth.com/

New Opportunities ~ Carroll ~ 800-642-6330 http://newopp.org 712-792-9266

-1st Five ~ Physician referred care coordination services for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Participants have demonstrated a developmental concern or have experienced family stress, depression, or lack of resources. Children and their families are then linked with community resources for guidance and support.

-WIC ~ New Opportunities ~ Carroll Women Infant and Children: Offers monthly financial allotments that enable pregnant, postpartum or breastfeeding women or parent of infants or children age 5 and under to purchase healthy foods.

NW AEA/Early ACESS: Iowa's interagency system of early intervention services for children with or at risk of developmental delays. It is a central point of entry for families to obtain information and services that will be beneficial for their child's development. 800-377-8115 or 712-263-4625 http://www.nwaea.k12.ia.us/

**Temporary Assistance Program (TAP)** program for families in need of food and clothing. 210 S 25th St M-Thurs. 9:00 to Noon. 712-263-4733

West Central Community Action - Outreach

Located at 7th St in Denison. Services for income eligible households. Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) 712-263-3538