#### **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.



### **Sac 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 second Monday of the month at 9:00 am. 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.

Auburn Public Library –209 Pine – 51433 712-688-2264

Early Public Library –107 Main St – 50535 712-273-5334

Lake View Public Library –202 Main St – 51450 712-657-2310

Lytton Public Library –118 Main - 50561 712-466-2522

Odebolt Public Library –200 S Walnut -51458 712-668-2718

Sac City Public Library –1001 W Main – 50583 712-662-7276

Schaller Library –103 S Main 427 – 51053 712-275-4741

Wall Lake –116 Main – 51466 712-664-2983 What can
Sac County
Offer
Your child
From birth to 5 years of age?





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# Child Care

#### Child Care Resource & Referral

Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) provides resources education and advocacy to support quality child care. They assist families in finding child care that meets their needs and talk to parents about quality indicators such as ChildNet and the Iowa Quality Rating System (QRS). Child Care Consultants provide onsite consultation to all preschools, centers, homes and before and after school programs. CCR&R also provides professional development to child care professionals and data to community leaders.

#### 800-859-2025 or 712-786-2001 http://www.iwaccrr.org

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

Non-registered Home Providers can care for five or fewer children at one time (including their own). The Iowa Department of Human Services has Minimum Health and Safety Requirements.

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. There are three categories of registration, based on size of house, education, and years of experience.

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.

#### Kid's World, Inc.

1408 Robbin St Sac City, IA 712-662-7259 Serving children infants – school age

#### Wee Wildcats

300 S Berwick Schaller, IA 823-275-4266 Serving children infants – school age

# Preschool

East Sac County Community School District 400 S 16th St Sac City 712-662-7200

Kid's World

1408 Robbins St Sac City 712-662-7259

Schaller Crestland Community School District 300 S Berwick Schaller 712-275-4266

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

New Opportunities, Inc.; 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 0-2years old. Classrooms located in Sac City and Schaller. 712-830-1326 <a href="https://www.newopp.org">www.newopp.org</a>

#### **Preschool Scholarships**

**BVCS ECI** offers Preschool Tuition Assistance at participating area preschools. 712-662-3880 http://bvcsearlychildhoodiowa.org/

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# **Department of Human Services** ~ **Carroll** 608 North Court Carroll, IA 712-792-4391 or 866-202-5968 on-line applications (OASIS): Child Care Subsidy, Food Assistance, hawk-I, Family

Subsidy, Food Assistance, hawk-I, Family Investment Program etc. <a href="http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/">http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/</a>

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Family STEPS Support To Experience Parenting Success: Sac county Health Services ~ Sac City A home visitation program for families with children prenatal to 5. Sac County Health Services 712-662-4785 http://saccountyhealthservices.com

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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.712-792-9266. http://newopp.org

<u>Helping Communities Connect Multi Services</u> Crawford County Community Health ~ Denison

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, Inc. Family Development Center ~ Sac City Services for income eligible households. Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) Emergency Food Pantry, 1708 West Main St Sac City 712-662-3236. http://newopp.org

Prairie Lakes AEA/Early ACCESS: 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. 712-335-3588 or 712-732-2257 http://www.aea8.k12.ia.us

**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. 800-642-6330. <a href="http://newopp.org">http://newopp.org</a>