
Date Issued	February 24, 2026	Status	In Process
Provider Name	<u>Lil' Gov's Bright Beginning's</u>		
Provider ID	<u>1061725171</u>		
Provider Address	<u>1408 N Harrison Ave, Pierre, SD 57501, USA</u>		
Provider Contact	<u>Victoria Peterson</u>		

The items listed below are those that the provider was not in compliance with at the time of the inspection.

Compliance Plan Action #1

Administrative Rule:

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Center and school-age programs operating outside of a school building shall follow applicable construction and fire safety requirements, as outlined in chapters 61:15:05 and 61:15:06. School-age programs operating in a school building shall follow applicable construction and fire safety requirements, as outlined in chapters 61:15:01, 61:15:02, and 61:15:07.

A family day care home must have the following fire safety measures in place:

- (1) A working smoke detector must be located on each level of the home;
- (2) A fully charged, portable fire extinguisher, with a minimum 2A rating, as identified on the extinguisher label, must be kept in or within fifteen feet of the kitchen or food preparation area;
- (3) A carbon monoxide detector must be installed, according to the manufacturer's instructions, if a fuel burning appliance is present in the home;
- (4) Each level of the home must have at least two remote exits that shall remain clear of obstructions. One of these exits must be a standard-sized door, and the other may be either a standard-sized door or an unobstructed, operable window, having at least five square feet of openable space, with a minimum width of twenty inches and a minimum height of twenty-four inches; and
- (5) Whenever a portable space heater, a wood burning stove, or a fireplace is in use, the heater, stove, or fireplace must be inaccessible to children.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of the inspection, there was no verification of an annual Fire Alarm inspection or annual Sprinkler system inspection. It was also noted that both storage rooms have items located within two feet of the ceiling.

Corrections to be Made:

Programs are required to have their Fire Alarm Systems and Sprinkler Systems inspected by a certified technician annually.

Items must not be stored within 24" of the ceiling.

Corrections Made:

Verification of compliance has been received.

Anticipated Completion Date:
March 20, 2026

Date Completed:
March 18, 2026

Compliance Plan Action #2

Administrative Rule:

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For family day care providers, unused electrical outlets must have an outlet plug cover, have a tamper-resistant cover, or be made inaccessible to a child.

For center and school-age programs, unused electrical outlets must have a self-closing outlet cover or tamper-resistant cover.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of the inspection, multiple outlets in the building did not have tamper-resistant or self-closing outlets. The School Kids room also had a power strip that was not self-closing.

Corrections to be Made:

Programs are required to have tamper-resistant or self-closing outlets in any unused electrical outlets. The program has had replacement outlets installed but they are requesting additional time to acquire verification.

Corrections Made:

Anticipated Completion Date:
May 20, 2026

Date Completed:

Compliance Plan Action #3

Administrative Rule:

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The following must be inaccessible to a child:

- (1) Firearms;
- (2) Pellet guns, BB guns, and cap guns;
- (3) Matches and lighters;
- (4) Tobacco products;
- (5) Choking and strangulation hazards;
- (6) Items capable of being pulled or tipped onto a child;
- (7) A platform measuring more than thirty inches above ground level, unless surrounded by a railing that is at least thirty-six inches tall with no more than five inches between openings; and
- (8) Other hazardous condition as identified by the department.

The department may direct a provider to remove or correct a hazardous condition or circumstance not covered in this chapter, if the department considers the conditions or circumstances to have the potential to cause injury or illness to the children in care.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of the inspection, two lower shelving units were not secured to the wall.

Corrections to be Made:

Any items capable of being pulled or tipped onto a child needs to be properly secured.

Corrections Made:

Verification has been received.

Anticipated Completion Date:

March 20, 2026

Date Completed:

March 18, 2026

Compliance Plan Action #4

Administrative Rule:

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A provider shall meet the following requirements regarding bathrooms:

- (1) Bathroom facilities must be easily accessible by children and providers;
- (2) Hot water for faucets normally used by children in care may not exceed one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit;
- (3) Toilets and hand sinks must be kept clean and in good repair; and
- (4) For child care centers and school-age programs:
 - (a) All bathrooms must have natural or mechanical ventilation;
 - (b) Separate bathrooms must be available for males and females;
 - (c) Ratios for toilet and hand sinks must align with the minimum standards for plumbing and plumbing systems published by the plumbing commission.

Except in a family day care, hand sinks must be in the same room, or an unobstructed room adjacent to the diaper changing area. A handwashing sink used after diapering and toileting may not be used for food preparation.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of the inspection, the boys bathroom was under a remodel and the toilets and sinks were not operational as they are waiting on new drain pipes.

Corrections to be Made:

Sinks and toilets must be operational and separate bathrooms must be available for males and females.

The program reports that the drain pipes are scheduled to arrive on 2/24/2026 and will be installed immediately.

Corrections Made:

Verification has been received.

Anticipated Completion Date:

March 20, 2026

Date Completed:

March 18, 2026

Your signature below certifies you have read and understand the non-compliance findings and agree to make corrections to be compliant with the identified administrative rules.

Victoria R Peterson

Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

February 24, 2026

Date

The Department of Social Services, Office of Licensing and Accreditation has reviewed and accepted the above plan.

Sarah Deakins

Printed Name of DSS Staff



Signature of DSS Staff:

February 23, 2026

Date

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