

Date Issued October 06, 2026 Status In Process

Provider Name LITTLE PIRATES CHILDCARE CENTER

Provider ID 014512619

Provider Address 200 3rd St SE, Highmore, SD 57345, USA

Provider Contact Laura Nordlund

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:

The following issues were identified during the inspection:

1. The entrance and back door to the facility have deadbolts locks that could prevent occupants from exiting the building.
2. The entrance door had a safety doorknob cover that could prevent occupants from exiting the building.
3. The classroom gates do not meet the minimum required width of 32 inches.
4. The patio door does not open in the direction of egress.

Corrections to be Made:

1. Deadbolts need to be removed from the front and back door of the facility.

2. Safety doorknob covers must be removed from all entrance and exit doors throughout the building. These covers cannot be used on any entrance or exit door.
3. Gates must be removed or replaced with gates that are at least 32 inches wide and can be opened with one hand in the direction of egress.
4. The patio door must be replaced with a door that opens towards egress.

Corrections Made:

Anticipated Completion Date:

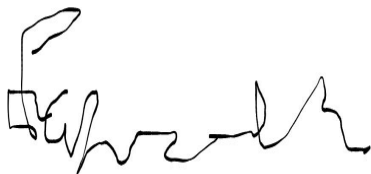
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Date Completed:

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.

Laura Nordlund

Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

October 06, 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



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Signature of DSS Staff:

October 02, 2026

Date