COMPLIANCE PLAN
OFFICE OF LICENSING & ACCREDITATION

South Dakota Department of Social Services

Date Issued	September 22, 2026	Status	Closed

Provider Name	Montessori School of Aberdeen
Provider ID	011102504
Provider Address	515 8th Ave NW, Aberdeen, SD 57401, USA
Provider Contact	Susan Dalager

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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Playgrounds for all child care settings must be safe, in good repair, and free of debris, trash, and weeds. Playground equipment must be installed according to the manufacturer's instructions and maintained in good repair.

For a center program, a fence that measures at least four feet high is required around the center's outdoor play space.

For a family day care or school-age program, a fence that measures at least forty-two inches high may be required to separate the outdoor play space, if the department determines a body of water, vehicular traffic, or other hazard poses a risk of injury or death to a child.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

The newly established fenced area is incomplete, with sections of fencing and a gate missing. Toys have been placed in the area.

Corrections to be Made:

The new infant/toddler fence addition needs to be enclosed with a 48" fence and gate. The daycare is in the process of completing this project.

Corrections Made:

The fence project was completed for the new infant/toddler outdoor play area and entry gates were installed.

Anticipated Completion Date:	Date Completed:
October 19, 2026	October 28, 2026

Compliance Plan Action #2

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 fire alarm system was last inspected on 3/17/25.

Corrections to be Made:
The fire alarm system needs an annual inspection and verification provided to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Corrections Made:
Verification of the fire alarm system inspected was provided.

Anticipated Completion Date:	**Date Completed:**
October 19, 2026	October 28, 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.

Susan Dalager
Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

September 22, 2026
Date

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

plan.

Julie Hermansen

Printed Name of DSS Staff



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Signature of DSS Staff:

September 22, 2026

Date