

**Child Care Resources** 



# Child Care Guide



#### **QUESTIONS TO ASK THE DIRECTOR...**



- Are policies and procedures clear and communicated to parents?
- What is the child/staff ratio?
- How long has the summer care program been in operation?
- What is the philosophy of the summer care program?
- Are the hours flexible? Do I get cancellation and/or sick days?
- Is there a penalty or fee for picking up my child late?
- What would a typical day be like for my child?
- Is the summer care program closed any certain days? (holidays, vacations, etc?)
- When does the summer care program begin and end?
- How many other children are enrolled?
- Can I drop in and visit unannounced?
- Do the children understand the routine and rules?
- Does the environment fit your child's personality?
- What kinds of activities do the children do? Is there an extra charge?
- Does your program participate in any camps?

#### PROGRAM CHECKLIST

This checklist is designed to help you in selecting a summer care program for your child. When selecting an appropriate summer program, look at your needs and the needs of your child.

- Child sized furniture is available for the children
- Enough space is available for all children
- Safe outdoor play area is accessible
- Variety of materials/games are available for the children
- Offers multicultural books and activities for learning
- Teachers keep parents informed of activities and child's participation
- Teachers communicate with the parents about any accidents or illnesses
- Teachers spend time with the children and talk to them but also provide time to be alone
- Staff members handle behavior problems appropriately
- Staff know CPR and First Aid
- The other children seem happy and get along with the teachers
- Variety of field trips and gross motor activities available
- Variety of arts and craft materials available
- Meals and snacks are provided and are nutritional

We continue to look for ways to improve the Child Care Helpline.

We welcome your comments and suggestions.

Please contact us by dialing 211 or 339-4357 for any further assistance.



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# **Apple Tree Children's Centers**

#### 4 Sioux Falls Locations:

3309 E. 26th St. 700 N. Sycamore

**Phone:** 339-9571 332-5581

**Contact:** Brandi Putnam Lynn Peterson

4101 Valhalla Blvd. 6400 W. 43rd St.

**Phone:** 361-7746 361-9875 **Contact:** Carol Waring Jere Carda

**Ages Served:** 5 - 12-year-olds

#### **Days and Hours with Fees:**

Monday - Friday	6:30 AM - 6:30 PM
5 Days Per Week	\$164.00
4 Days Per Week	\$145.00
3 Days Per Week	\$121.00
2 Days Per Week	\$104.00
1 Day Per Week	\$74.00

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: At Apple Tree Children's Centers, we value the uniqueness of each child and encourage the growth and development to becoming a responsible individual. Through time-tested processes, learning is experienced through classroom structured settings and supervised play. We believe that all activities, with guidance, are a teaching tool that strengthens the independence, confidence and problem solving characteristics needed to maintain a healthy and productive future.

**Additional Information:** The following are examples of the type of daily activities each center will plan: pool play, kite flying, trolley rides, fire & police stations, Battleship Memorial, Children's Theater, hospital tour, City Hall, bowling, sand volleyball and much more!



# **Building Blocks Childcare & Learning Center**

1714 Frontier St.

Brandon, SD 57005

Phone: 605-582-5437

http://buildingblocksbrandon.com

Contact: Beth Hanna

Ages Served: Kindergarten - 12 Years Old

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: \$25.00 Registration Fee, Some fees for field trips.

Visit our website for further information on rates.

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** Our staff members hold degrees in elementary education, and early childhood. We have 20 plus years of experience in various centers in positions ranging from assistant to owner/director.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** Our goal is to fully educate each and every child in a safe, loving, nurturing environment. This allows each child to grow over the summer and return to school socially and intellectually ready to start the year.

**Additional Information:** We offer MANY extras to parents and kids as we have two 65 passenger buses that we use for transporting to and from swim lessons and field trips. We offer outdoor play in a fenced-in yard, access to gym time, and daily activities.





#### The CHILD Center

2420 W. 8th St.

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Phone: 332-9200

Contact: Dixie Chandler

Ages Served: 6 - 12-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:30 PM

Fees: Registration fee: \$20.00;

Full time: \$30.00/day or \$125.00/week

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: The Director has day care center experience with 5 plus years in planning and curriculum. Both teachers have daycare center experience with school age children and both have children.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Our program mission is to provide a secure and enriching environment for children, thus allowing them to learn and grow into individuals. This environment allows parents to pursue their own careers knowing their children are safe in a quality center. The Child Center is a nurturing, developmentally based child care center. It is their belief that they provide your child with the following opportunities: the opportunity to be happy, to be challenged and to be prepared.

**Additional Information:** Four to five days a week an outing is provided, either swimming or a field trip. We have a fenced-in yard with outdoor play available. Call for more information and the summer calendar.

Dates of Program: May to August





# Citibank Family Center Camp Explorations

4800 4th Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Phone: 782-2020

Contact: Amy Abbas

Ages Served: Kindergarten—5th grade

Days & Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:15 AM - 6:15 PM

**Fees:** Affordable pricing based on income <u>for Citi employees.</u>

Also accepting enrollment from Sanford Health employees with a set tuition rate.

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: A variety of educational levels and experience. Teachers have completed degrees or are attending college.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** The mission for Camp Explorations is to provide a place that uses the child's growing capacity to make choices, work together with others and assume responsibility and non-school atmosphere to create memories that last a lifetime.

**Additional Information:** Citi Family Center Camp Explorations is <u>only</u> open to Citi and Sanford Health employees. Camp Explorations is a high paced learning environment for youth. Daily club experiences, weekly themes and weekly field trips and swimming opportunities offered.

**Dates of Program:** Summer Care Camp—May 31-September 2. Before and After School care is also offered during the school year.





# **Christian Center Daycare**

6300 W 41st St

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 361-5818

Contact: Lisa Willis

Ages Served: 3 - 12-year-olds

Days & Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: 3-5 yr. old Pre-K: \$3.90/hour w/sibling discount \$3.65/hour

5-12 yr. old: \$3.80/hour w/sibling discount \$3.55/hour

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: At Christian Center we strive to enrich the lives of the children we serve educationally, spiritually and socially, and the children enrich us. It is our hope that the daycare remain an integral part of the church body in a sharing and caring way. Our service to our children and their families will provide the children with a happy social and group play experience outside the home.

**Additional Information:** Our summer program incorporates age-appropriate daily curriculum in each class, with weekly field trips to reiterate their studies. Other activities include: swimming at Laurel Oaks and Kuehn Pool, children's theater in McKennan park, Pettigrew and The Old Courthouse Museum, Battleship Memorial, bowling, summer olympics, indoor Ice and Recreation, Yogi Bear, corn maze, Carousel Skate, cooking activities and service projects to name a few.

Dates of Program: June to August



# **EmBe Summer Care Program**

Phone: 362-9438

Web: www.embe.org/enrollment

Contact: OST Director & Assistant, Nancy Fallon, Nick Franken

**Ages Served:** 5 to 12 year olds (Must have completed Kindergarten)

**Locations:** EmBe South 3510 W. Ralph Rogers Rd. Sioux Falls

Endeavor Elementary 2401 W. 95th St, Sioux Falls

Liberty Elementary 200 Willow, Harrisburg West Nidaros Church 25403 471st Ave, Crooks

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Fees:** Full time: \$125.00/week, Second child: \$113/week.

Part time: \$94.00/week, Second child: \$85.00/week

Flex Program: \$137.00/week plus activity fee

Registration fee: \$30.00 for 1 child; \$45.00 for multiple children

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** Our OST Coordinator has over 20 years experience with an Associates degree and OST certificate with a 2 year Fine Arts Degree. Head teachers have minimum of two years of college, majoring in education, early childhood, special education, speech or music or have completed school with a teaching certificate.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** We provide children a fun, safe and interactive environment that supports social, emotional, physical and cognitive development through educational activities. We hire caring and experienced teachers and assistants who have a passion for teaching.

The EmBe Summer Care Program offers school age children fun-filled days of activities, wonderful staff and a loving environment. Classrooms are age appropriate with a schedule of classes and activities throughout the day. You can enroll your child for one week or for the entire summer. We offer weekly theme-based sessions with many activities to keep students wanting to come back for more! We fill these units with cooking, science, arts, crafts, sports, theatre, club days, indoor and outdoor swimming, community service projects, special guests, mentoring and much more! Breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack are included.

Dates of Program: May 18th to August 14th



# **Falls Learning Center**

4060 S. Grange Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 362-2995

Contact: Carla Fox

Ages Served: 5 - 12-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Fees:** Full-time rate: \$120.00/week for 40 or more hours;

Part-time rate: \$3.00/hour with 25 hour minimum/week.

Registration fee: \$35.00

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** Our director has her degree in biblical studies with minors in counseling and youth. She has enjoyed being in the child care industry for over 15 years. The staff in our school age program have experience in the childcare field as well and look forward to coming along side each child to provide a fun, creative experience.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** Our Summer Care program provides children in our care with opportunities to keep on learning through interactive activities at the center and within the community.



# First Baptist Children's Center (First BASE)

1401 S. Covell Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 336-0966 or 360-3606

Contact: Cathy Menke

Ages Served: 5 - 12-Year-olds



#### Days and Hours Available with Fees:

Monday - Friday	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM
5 Days Per Week	\$120.00
4 Days Per Week	\$115.00—full for summer 2016
3 Days Per Week	\$100.00—full for summer 2016
2 Days Per Week	\$80.00—full for summer 2016

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** The Director has an Elementary Education Degree and several years of experience in school-age care. A few staff have their degrees in Elementary Education while other teachers are current college students.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** The primary purpose of First Baptist Children's Center (First BASE) is to provide safe, enjoyable, educational and recreational opportunities for school-age children whose parents work. We strive to encourage children in their interests and abilities and also encourage the development of friendships.

Dates of Program: June to August



# First Baptist Children's Center (Little League)

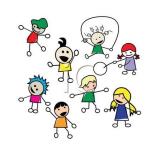
1401 S. Covell Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 336-0966 or 360-0609

Contact: Cathy Menke

Ages Served: 3 - 5-year-olds



#### Days and Hours Available with Fees:

Monday - Friday	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM
5 Days Per Week	\$140.00—full for summer 2016
4 Days Per Week	\$125.00—full for summer 2016
3 Days Per Week	\$105.00—full for summer 2016

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: The Director has an Elementary Education Degree and 22 years of experience with preschool age children. The staff are college students.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** The primary purpose of First Baptist Children's Center (Little League) is to provide safe, enjoyable, educational and recreational opportunities for preschoolers whose parents work. We strive to encourage children in their interests and abilities and also encourage the development of friendships.



## For the Love of Children

3700 S. Westport Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 362-8851

**Contact:** Marsha Owings

Ages Served: 5 - 12-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:30 PM

Fees: \$131.00/week

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** The Director/ Coordinator has their CDA and has had several years experience with children. The staff are college students, elementary and high school teachers.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** We keep the children on track with educational activities including weekly reading logs, time tests, field trips, swimming, walks to the park, etc. We have a full lesson scheduled daily.

**Additional Information:** Swimming, field trips, park, outdoor play, big field games, educational games and indoor and outdoor activities are offered.





## **Good News Children's Center**

1800 S. Valley View Rd.

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

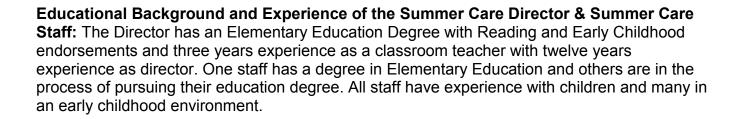
Phone: 362-6360 Extension 8

**Contact:** Tammy Westergaard

Ages Served: 5 - 12-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: \$135.00/week. Multi-child discount available.



Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: We are committed to providing Biblically based age-appropriate experiences in a small group setting allowing each child to progress mentally, spiritually, socially and emotionally at his/her own level of ability while enjoying success. This is primarily done through hands-on activities in learning centers and positive Christian-like role modeling of the staff.

**Additional Information:** During the summer we have devotions, encourage reading, offer learning activities, Bible-time, physical activities, music and more. We also transport to Kuehn Pool for swimming lessons. We go on daily field trips such as the Outdoor Campus, area parks, tour area businesses, and swimming at the Sioux Falls Pools. We participate in several service projects around the center and in the community.

**Dates of Program:** June through August





# **Grand Fun Alley Learning Center**

3704 S. Marion Road

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 362-3768

Contact: Chelsea DeJonge

Ages Served: Kindergarten to 12 year olds

Days & Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:30 PM

Fees: Summer Care: Full Time \$125.00/week

Part Time \$42.50/day

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Staff:** Our teachers both hold a degree in Elementary Education and have been at the center for 7 plus years. The Director/Owner, Miss Chelsea, has her Child Development Associates and has been at the center for over 8 years. All teachers are CPR and First Aid certified and are required to complete 20 hours of training classes per year.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Our school age curriculum is designed to be enriching, socially stimulating, fun and educational. In our program, children will develop coordination skills, engage with peers and explore their individual interests. Most of all we understand that caring for your children is a privilege and a responsibility we do not take lightly. Grand Fun Alley prides itself on making our center feel like your child's second home. Our staff is nurturing, caring and well trained to ensure that all children feel loved, respected and well cared for.

**Additional Information:** AM & PM snack and lunch are provided for children. We offer outdoor play in a fenced in natural playground. Along with daily field trips, swimming, community work, and crafts the children also help plant and take care of the garden right in our playground.





# **Hope C.A.R.E. Summer Program**

1733 Sherman Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Phone: 335-3873

Contact: Karli Narum, Program Director

Ashley Hein, Site Coordinator

Ages Served: 5 - 12-year olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Fees:** 5 days \$100.00/week

4 days \$95.00/week 3 days \$90.00/week

Educational Background and Experience of Summer Care Director/Coordinator and Summer Care Staff: The Director has a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education with many years experience in child care. The Site Coordinator is working towards her four year degree in Elementary Education and the Summer Assistants are attending college and have experience in child care. All staff are CPR and First Aid Certified.

Philosophy and/or Goals of the Summer Care Program: Our goal is to provide a safe, enriching, and recreational program conducive to learning and social interaction structured to the children's requests. We aim to encourage children to pursue their interests and develop friendships, independence and confidence. Hope C.A.R.E. strives to create and maintain a stimulating and loving environment for children to flourish in this challenging society by using their God-given gifts and talents. We maintain a qualified staff committed to the safety and care of each child.





# **Imagination Station**

207 South Main

Hartford, SD 57033

Phone: 528-5437

Contact: Kristine Johnson

**Ages Served:** 5-12 year olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: Full-Time Summer: \$109.00/Week

Part-Time rates available

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: The Director has a CDA as well as many years of experience. The staff attend in-service trainings and are typically college students.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** We stay very busy in the summer time. The children get out and enjoy our small town on daily walks. They go to the library, the swimming pool and have a picnic in the park once a week. The children also do arts/crafts and experiments. Summer is short so we take advantage of every minute.

**Additional Information:** Activities include swimming, library, field trips, and daily activities are a few of the activities offered. For days that we do not have a outing we have outdoor play in a fenced-in yard.

**Dates of Program:** The summer program starts on the last day of school and ends on the first day of school.



# Kids Inc.

201 East 38th Street

Sioux Falls SD 57105

Phone: 367-4424

Contact: Jodi Miller

Ages Served: Completed Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Fees:** Based on child's lunch rate.

Regular is \$250 per 2 week session

Reduced Lunch is \$187 per 2 week session

Free Lunch is \$156 per 2 week session

\*Field trips included. Pay an additional \$20 per 2 week session for hot lunch

if preferred

\*No part-time rates offered

Summer Locations 2016: John F. Kennedy, Harvey Dunn, Garfield, Robert Frost

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** The director has a BS in Elementary Education. Staff members have 3 to 15 years experience with Kids Inc. and have Education degrees or are in school to get an Education Degree.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Kids Inc. offers activities that keep students engaged in learning during the summer months. Children use skills they learned during the school year while they enjoy theme-based activities. The summer program includes field trips, daily activities, access to a fenced-in yard and gym.

Dates of Program: June 13 to August 19

References are available on Request.





#### **Lutheran Social Services**

# East Side After-School & Summer Services

1300 E. 10th Street Sioux Falls, SD 57103 605-759-8038 www.lsssd.org

**Contact:** Dustin Wander

**Ages Served:** 5 to 12-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Fees:** \$95.00/week plus \$75 annual fee for field trips- Financial assistance is available to make the program affordable for families.

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: The lead teacher has a Bachelor's degree. Many assistants also have degrees and all have extensive experience and training. The Director has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education with more advanced training.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Our unique and exciting summer program offers students fun and enriching experiences. The children keep learning and preparing for the next school year in ways that are hands-on and child-friendly. Our program uses weekly themes and exciting field trips to frame learning. Two weekly pool trips and weekly trips to the library in addition to the 'big adventure' of each week keep children enjoying their summer.

**Dates of Program:** June to August





#### **Lutheran Social Services First Reformed**

4800 Tomar Road Sioux Falls, SD 57108 605-759-8977 www.lsssd.org



Contact: Katerina Baumgarn

Ages Served: 5 to 12-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: \$115.00/week. \$75.00 Activity Fee once per summer

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: Director has bachelor's degree in Education, over 15 years experience, extensive ongoing training. Coordinator has worked in childcare and education for 8 years, extensive ongoing training, CPR and First Aid Certified, Associates Degree.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Our unique and exciting summer program offers students fun and enriching experiences. The children keep learning and preparing for the next school year in ways that are hands-on and child-friendly. Our program uses weekly themes and exciting field trips to frame learning. Three weekly pool trips and weekly trips to the library in addition to the 'big adventure' of each week keep children enjoying their summer.

**Dates of Program:** June to August



#### **Lutheran Social Services Here4Youth**

1721 W. 51st St.

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

605-271-6327

www.lsssd.org



Contact: Melissa Frericks

Ages Served: 3 to 21-years-old

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: \$195.00/week. \$125.00 Activity Fee once per summer

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** Director has bachelor's degree in Education, over 15 years experience, extensive ongoing training. Coordinator has worked in childcare and education for 8 years, extensive ongoing training, CPR and First Aid Certified, Associates Degree.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Our unique and exciting summer program offers students fun and enriching experiences. The children keep learning and preparing for the next school year in ways that are hands-on and child-friendly. Our program uses weekly themes and exciting field trips to frame learning. Three weekly pool trips and weekly trips to the library in addition to the "big adventure" of each week keep children enjoying their summer.

Dates of Program: May to August



# **Lutheran Social Services** Hilltop After-School and Summer Programs

1312 S. Bahnson Ave. Sioux Falls, SD 57103 605-759-8038 www.lsssd.org

Contact: Dustin Wander

**Ages Served:** 5 to 12-year-olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: \$95.00/week plus \$75 annual fee for field trips. Financial assistance is available to make the program affordable for families.

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care **Staff:** Many staff have degrees and all have extensive experience and training. The Director has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education with more advanced training.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Our unique and exciting summer program offers students fun and enriching experiences. The children keep learning and preparing for the next school year in ways that are hands-on and child-friendly. Our program uses weekly themes and exciting field trips to frame learning. Two weekly pool trips and weekly trips to the library in addition to the 'big adventure' of each week keep children enjoying their summer.

**Dates of Program:** May to August





# **Lutheran Social Services OSL Summer and After School Program**

909 W. 33rd Street Sioux Falls, SD 57105 605-759-8038 www.lsssd.org



Contact: Dustin Wander

Ages Served: 5 to 12-year-olds

**Days and Hours Available:** Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Fees:** \$95.00/week plus \$75 annual fee for field trips. Financial assistance is available to make the program affordable for families.

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: Director-Bachelor's Degree in Education and extensive ongoing training and experience.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: LSS Childcare & Education Services emphasize hands-on, enriching activities that keep children engaged in learning. We know that children learn best when they are having fun. Staff focus on helping each student succeed by providing a caring environment with strong relationships. Our philosophy is to provide students with opportunities to make choices. This instills a love of learning in each child.

Our unique and exciting summer program offers students fun and enriching experiences. The children keep learning and preparing for the next school year in ways that are hands-on and child-friendly. Our program uses weekly themes and exciting field trips to frame learning. Three weekly pool trips and weekly trips to the library in addition to the "big adventure" of each week keep children enjoying their summer.



# Lutheran Social Services Southern Hills After-School & Summer Services

3400 E. 49th St. Sioux Falls, SD 57103 605-371-8770 www.lsssd.org

**Contact:** Cassie Anderson

**Ages Served:** Kindergarten - 5th Grade

**Days and Hours Available:** M - F, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Fees:** Regular Summer: \$115 per week; also requires annual \$75 field trip fee. 5 vacation days to be used throughout the summer.

For students who are 5 years old and have not yet attended kindergarten, our summer rate is \$146 due to increased ratio requirements for this age group.

Summer Flex: \$135 for the weeks you choose. Rate includes field trip cost.

Part Time Summer-3 days per week or less: \$90 per week with \$85 field trip fee.

Lunches can be purchased for \$3 per day, or \$10 per week.

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: The Director and Program Coordinator each have a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and advanced training. Many assistants also have degrees and all have extensive experience and training.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Our unique and exciting summer program offers students fun and enriching experiences. The children keep learning and preparing for the next school year in ways that are hands-on and child-friendly. Our program uses weekly themes and exciting field trips to frame learning. Three weekly pool trips and weekly trips to the library in addition to the "big adventure" of each week keep children enjoying their summer. We also have a fenced-in yard and a gym.



# MyTea Tykes Children's Center, Inc.

800 E. Ryan Dr.

Tea, SD 57064

Phone: 498-8953

www.myteatykes.com

Contact: Chari Eli

Ages Served: 5 to 12 Years

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:30 PM

**Fees:** 5 days \$125.00/week

4 days \$112.00/week

\*A discount is available if a younger sibling attends the child care center.

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** The Director has a Bachelor's of Science in Early Childhood Education. Staff are at least eighteen years of age and have experience working with school-age children. Staff also attend ongoing trainings.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: MyTea Tykes is dedicated to provide a safe, fun-learning environment. We strive to meet all developmental and growing needs for children in the Tea area. We meet children's needs by focusing on these distinct areas: physical, intellectual, social, and emotional development. We provide positive learning opportunities that promote the areas of autonomy, self-respect, respect for others, multicultural experiences, physical activities (fine and gross motor skills) introduction of art, science, social studies, math, reading readiness, dramatic play, manipulative activities, music and movement, and working with others.

**Additional Information:** MyTea Tykes offers various activities and field trips that promote learning about the environment around them. Children attend the Tea Pool three times a week. A Tea Pool Pass is required. There are additional fees for some of the field trips.





<sup>\*\*</sup>Fees listed include field trips.

# **Once Upon A Time**

100 East Cedar Street

Brandon, SD 57005

Phone: 582-8185

Contact: Penny Polasky

Ages Served: 6 Weeks to 12-years-olds

Days & Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: Summer Care: \$105.00/week

**Staff:** The Director/Coordinator has a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education with twenty years experience in Early Childhood Education. The teacher that is with the school age staff has a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education. Staff have a high school education with experience in a daycare with school age children.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: We believe it is important to involve the children in the weekly planning of activities.

**Additional Information:** Swimming, field trips, recreation programs, parks, visits to retirement homes, cooking activities, science activities, special days, bike riding, etc., are a few of the activities we participate in through the summer.

**Dates of Program:** Dates of the program are the last day of school in Brandon until the beginning of school. We are also open year round.



# **Tea Tots Childcare Center, Inc.**

2100 N. Devon Ave.

Tea, SD 57064

Phone: 498-1234

www.teatots.com

teatots@iw.net

Contact: Tonya Pfeifer, owner or Tyson, director

Ages Served: Kindergarten to 12 Years

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: \$125.00/week; Registration fee is \$30.00

\*Family discount for older siblings (see our website)

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: The Director has had 9 years of center experience. Teachers hold Elementary Education degree or CDA (Child Development Associates).

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Our goal is to provide a safe and secure place where children can explore, laugh & interact with others, learn & grow each day.

**Additional Information:** AM & PM snacks are provided along with a hot lunch every day. We have lots of space inside & outside of the building. Our outdoor play is in a fenced-in playground, with an indoor gym for inclement weather. We offer many activities to keep the kids engaged & challenged. Rooms for sports, as well as Lego tables are available for many different activities. We are within walking distance of a park we use as well. Many field trips, swimming, crafts, activities & games are provided throughout the Summer.





# **Trinity Learning Center**

46448 263rd St

Hartford, SD 57033

Phone: 526-4021

www.hartfordtlc.org

**Contact:** Amanda Knutson

Ages Served: 6 Weeks to 12-year-olds

Days & Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM

**Fees:** \$25 registration fee per family with some field trip fees. Visit our website for further information including weekly rates at www.hartfordtlc.org.

**Staff:** The Director holds a CDA and over 15 years of experience. Lead Summer Care Staff has an Associates of Early Childhood and other Summer Care staff are college students.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** Our primary mission is to extend the Gospel to children through a quality, Christ-centered environment. The Center is committed to offering children a healthy, loving, Christian environment in which to learn and develop creatively and mature emotionally, physically, socially and spiritually.

**Additional Information:** Activities will include planting and taking care of a vegetable garden, swimming, Bible lessons and Chapel, field trips, picnics, outside play, daily activities, arts/crafts, journaling, cooking activities, science experiments, just to name a few. All meals are included.





# **United Daycare**

2425 S. Western Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Phone: 332-5940 or 338-0246

Contact: Judy Jacobs

Ages Served: 2 - 10 year olds

Days and Hours Available: Monday - Friday; 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM

#### Fees:

FT: \$92.00-\$130.00 per week for first child, and \$77.00-\$86.00 for second child.

FT gets 5 vacation days to use for the summer.

PT: \$76.00 per week for 23 hours. Over 23 hours is at \$2.15 per hour for every hour over 23 plus the \$76.00 per week.

**Staff:** The Head Teacher has an Associates in Child Development degree and 27 years of experience. The Head Assistant has 10 years of experience. The remainder of the staff are college students working on their education degrees or are finished with college and have 1-7 years of experience. All staff attend in-service and are CPR and First Aid certified.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: It is the mission of United Day Care Center, Inc. is to provide quality daycare services in a loving and Christian environment. United Daycare Center serves children ages 2 through 10 years at a rate based on their family income. It is further the mission of the center to provide an environment for these children that fosters physical, social, cognitive and emotional development. Our goals are to provide interesting educational activities with an emphasis on physical exercise. Children engaged in activities are generally happier. For those who prefer quieter activities, there are those opportunities also.

**Additional Information:** Activities include swimming, field trips, visitors, bike riding, outdoor play, gym, and daily activities.

**Dates of Program:** Summer out of school program, open all year Monday - Friday, Preschool available August - May

# Volunteers of America, Dakotas Child Care Center and Family Literacy Center

407 N. Spring Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Phone: 338-3461

Contact: Mary Decker, Program Coordinator

**Ages Served:** Children going into Kindergarten or 1st Grade

Days & Hours Available: Monday - Friday, 5:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Fees: Full Time \$125.00/week; Part Time \$105.00/week. Scholarships are offered

**Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff:** We are a team of highly qualified teachers. Lead teaching staff have obtained a BS, AA or CDA degree in Early Childhood or Elementary Education.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: We offer a balanced day of enriched learning experiences to enhance the social-emotional, physical and cognitive growth of each child. We have a safe, secure environment with hands-on, age appropriate activities. We provide education field trips, promote physical activities, and go swimming at the local pools. We also incorporate learning activities in and out of the classrooms that promote literacy, math, language, science, etc.

**Additional Information:** We provide breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack and are on the Child and Adult Care Food Program. We have a fenced-in playground and access to a gym.

**Dates of Program:** June-September





## **West Central KARE**

**303 E 2nd Street / PO Box 730** 

Hartford, SD 57033

Phone: 528-3215 Extension 1324



Contact: Lori Johnson

**Ages Served:** 5 to 12 years old.

Days & Hours Available: Monday-Friday 7:00 AM—6:00 PM

Fees: Registration fee: \$10.00; Multi-child discount available

Full Time \$98.00/week (up to 50 hours)
Part Time \$72.00/week (up to 30 hours)

Daily drop in: \$25.00/day

Sibling discount: \$20

Educational Background and Experience of the Summer Care Director & Summer Care Staff: The director holds her OST Credential and most of the staff are attending college.

**Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program:** The West Central KARE program will provide a safe, secure and enriching environment for students as they develop and mature and become contributing members of society.

**Additional Information:** A hot lunch program is available. We have weekly field trips and are open to students from other school districts. We go swimming at the Hartford pool. We have outdoor play, a fenced-In yard, gym, a computer lab, daily activities and field trips.



# Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire / Youth Enrichment Services

Sioux Falls, SD

Phone: 338-8061

Web: www.bgcsioux empire.org

**Contact:** Caitlin Hoffman

**Ages Served:** K- 5th grade

Locations: 14th St Learning Center; 824 14th St.

Eastside Learning Center; 700 S. Sneve Ave Explorer & Journey Elementary; Harrisburg Brandon & Fred Assam Elementary; Brandon

#### Fees:

#### Option #1: Summer a la carte (Full Day Program)

Register BEFORE April 1st 2015:

Full-time 4-5 days per week \$120/week
Part-time 1-3 days per week \$98/week

Register AFTER April 1st 2015:

Full-time 4-5 days per week \$130/week
Part-time 1-3 days per week \$98/week

#### Option #2: Immersion Camp (Half Day Camp) Add-on

1 week camp 5 days total \$50/camp in addition to weekly charge

#### Option #3: Immersion Camp (Half Day Camp) Only

1 week camp 5 days total \$75/camp





# Youth Enrichment Services continued...

Sioux Falls, SD

Phone: 338-8061

Web: www.youthenrichment.org

**Educational Background and Experience of Director & Staff:** The Director and Coordinator hold a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. Site leads are usually college students studying in the field of childhood education.

Philosophy and/or goals of the Summer Care Program: Children relax, enjoy the summer and spend time with friends all while continuing to learn. Educational choices are balanced and allow them to have so much fun they won't even know they are learning.

**Additional Information:** Nutritional breakfasts, lunches and snacks are provided daily. Weekly field trips are scheduled around the weekly themes. Swimming occurs twice per week for all locations. All of our activities are age appropriate so your child will feel comfortable and be able to have fun, learn and grow.

**Dates of Program:** End of year through start of school year for all districts.



#### **Questions? Call Us!**

Choosing a summer care program that is right for your child(ren) is an important decision. We urge you to visit several facilities in order to inspect and interview the summer care director and/or teachers.

Please keep in mind that the information listed in this booklet does not constitute an endorsement by the Helpline Center. **All of the information contained in the booklet is reported by the summer care facilities themselves.** You will need to verify its validity. You, as a parent or guardian, are responsible for determining and monitoring the quality of each program. The final decision must be made by you.

Please note that this not a comprehensive listing of all programs that provide summer care. It is a source of information about those providers who chose to be listed in our Summer Care Guide. For the most complete list of providers who provide summer care dial **211** or **339-4357**.





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# **211 Community Resources**

#### 24-hour information and crisis hotline Dial 211 or text your zip code to 898211

- When you need help finding community information, social services, support groups, donation information, child care, volunteer opportunities or financial assistance
  - Resource guides include the Mental Health Guide, Parent Resource Directory and an E-mail Resource Guide

#### **Child Care Resources**

Child care resource and referral for parents and providers

- Quick access to current child care openings
  - Information on child care issues

# **Suicide and Crisis Support**

**Dial 1-800-273-TALK** 24-hours a day

- Providing crisis intervention, suicide prevention trainings, suicide information and outreach to families who have lost a loved one to suicide
  - Certified by the American Association of Suicidology

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

Linking volunteers with community volunteer opportunities

- Search the web based Volunteer Solutions database of over 100 non-profit agencies and 250 volunteer opportunities
  - Serve and Learn Student Association (SALSA)
    - Business Volunteer Council
  - Volunteer opportunities for families, groups and individuals

www.helplinecenter.org