



A P A R E N T S ' G U I D E T O

# ErinBe Summer School Age Care

S O N I A S O T O M A Y O R B





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EmBe's beginnings are rooted in meetings in 1921 that formed the YWCA in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Our vision to serve women and families has remained strong, empowering people to create meaningful and purposeful lives that serve our community well.

### MISSION

We uplift the potential in children, women, and families through opportunities that empower all.

### VISION

A community where children thrive, women excel, and families succeed.

### VALUES

Curiosity  
Authenticity  
Leadership  
Connection



Thank you for choosing EmBe for your childcare and School Age Care needs. EmBe began providing preschool and childcare in 1961 – one of the first centers in Sioux Falls outside of in-home daycares. Since that time, EmBe's award-winning childcare programs have become some of the most respected in the region, with locations throughout the area.

## GOALS

- Each child will have a safe, clean, secure environment supervised by caring adults.
- Each child will have a balance of spontaneous and directed play using various materials and equipment to encourage learning.
- Each child shall have an environment that will promote positive self-esteem, social skills, language development, physical and perceptual motor skills.

## WELCOME TO OUR

# Summer Program

It is important for children to have a safe and productive way to spend time during the summer. Latch key kids can face many risks, including anxiety, poor diet, and watching too much television. Fortunately, EmBe offers great alternatives so your school-age child will have a place to go where they can interact with friends, learn with hands-on activities, and relax. School Age Care is choice-based and promotes STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) and social, physical and emotional development. All of our programming will provide a variety of indoor and outdoor activities to keep kids engaged and allow them to thrive. We will also provide a variety of field trips (swimming, bowling, local parks, etc.) to ensure children stay active and have access to enriching experiences. Our program is everything you want in a safe childcare experience and more!

**If you have questions or concerns regarding School Age Care, please contact:**



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# Hello!

So glad to have you in our program.

Meet your Connections Coordinator  
**Addison Pick**



## WHY EMBE?

I have had a love for working with children since high school.

## ABOUT ME

I am Addison, and I am 23 years old. I have a degree in Early Childhood Education and have worked with kids for almost 4 years! In my free time, I love to bake and take my dog, Maverick, on walks, and my boyfriend and I always enjoy finding a new restaurant to try!

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## FACTS

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YOU  
KNOW?**

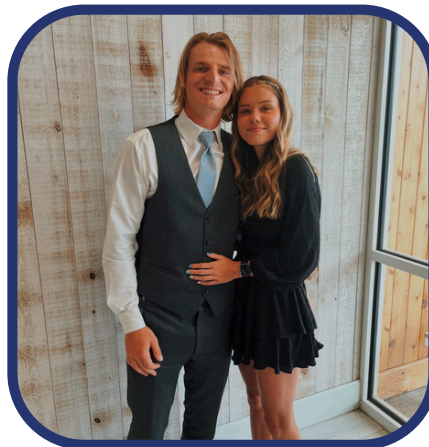
- I love to bake sourdough bread
- I love to do hair and makeup
- I am always cooking new recipes
- I love to host parties at my house



# Hello!

So glad to have you in our program.

## Meet your Site Coordinator Isabel Bach



### WHY EMBE?

I chose to work for EmBe because I love being a positive influence in kids lives!

### ABOUT ME

I'm originally from Minnesota, I came to Sioux Falls for college in 2018. I went to USF for psychology and criminal justice. I have worked at Sonia for 4 years, almost 5! In my free time, I love being outside, swimming, reading, and spending time with friends or my boyfriend! I am very excited for this summer, it will be so much fun!

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## FACTS

**DID  
YOU  
KNOW?**

- My favorite color is green
- I am from Minnesota
- I have a cat that I found outside
- I will be going to Europe this summer for the first time!





# Hello!

So glad to have you in our program.

## Meet your Co-Site Coordinator Kinsey Jones



### WHY EMBE?

I love working with kids!

### ABOUT ME

Hello! My name is Kinsey Jones and I'm from Sioux Falls, SD. I have always had a passion for working with kids. I started out at EmBe as an assistant teacher and enjoyed the position so much that I wanted to reach for more, which landed me as a Co-Site Coordinator. As an 18 year old, I have a lot of life to live, but EmBe has helped me make the ultimate decision of going to school to be a teacher which I will forever be grateful for.

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## FACTS

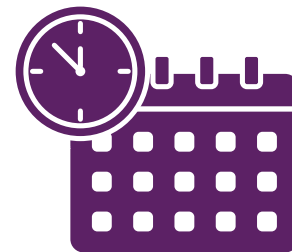
**DID  
YOU  
KNOW?**

- I enjoy baking and cooking
- I have a really big family
- I have five dogs
- I'm going to school to major in Elementary Education



DAILY

# Schedules



## SITE DAY

6:30 - 9:00 am	Arrival
9:00 - 9:30 am	Whole Group Announcements
9:30 - 11:30 am	Rotations/Activities
11:30 - 12:30 pm	Lunch
12:30 - 3:00 pm	Rotations/Activities
3:00 - 3:30 pm	Snack
4:00 - 6:00 pm	Closing Routines

## SWIMMING & FIELD TRIP DAY

6:30 - 9:00 am	Arrival
9:00 - 9:30 am	Whole Group Announcements
9:30 - 10:30 am	Rotations/Activities
11:00 - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 - 3:00 pm	Swimming / Field Trip
3:00 - 3:30 pm	Return from Swimming/Field Trip
3:30 - 4:00 pm	Snack
4:00 - 6:00pm	Closing Routines

WEEKLY

# Schedule

**Monday** - Swimming

**Tuesday** - Site Day

**Wednesday** - Swimming

**Thursday** - Site Day

**Friday** - Field Trip

If you have questions or concerns about the schedule during the summer, please contact the site at:

605-413-3603 | [soniasotomayorclc.sfsd@k12.sd.us](mailto:soniasotomayorclc.sfsd@k12.sd.us)

1510 S Lake Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57105



## WEEKLY THEMES & **Field Trips**

May 29 - 30: **Safety First** 🚚 🧑‍🚒

- No Field Trip

June 2 - 6: **Bugs/Creatures** 🐛 🦋

- Mary Jo Arboretum

June 9-13: **Exploring South Dakota** 🥾 🌾 🌲

- Prairie Village

June 16-20: **Space** 🪐 🔭

- Movie - West Mall 7

June 23-27: **Game Shows** 🏆 🎤

- Late Night Boomin'

June 30-July 4: **America** 🇺🇸 🎉 \*Closed July 4

- Bowling - Suburban Lanes - Special weekly schedule - TBD

July 7-11: **Ocean** 🌊 🌊

- LUAU at Riverdale Park

July 14-18: **Pirates** 🏴‍☠️

- Tuthill Park Geocaching

July 21-25: **Sports** 🏈 🏀

- CLC Olympics - Special weekly schedule - Tuesday field trip

July 28-August 1: **EmBe Has Talent Karaoke Contest** 🎵 🎤

- Terrace Park Bandshell

August 4-8: **Camping** 🏕️ 🌲

- Big Sioux Recreation

August 11-14: **Summer Fun & Treats** 🌴 🍦

- No Field Trip

\*Subject to change due to weather and other circumstances.





SCHOOL AGE CARE

## Swim Lessons



EmBe School Age Care (SAC) children have the opportunity to take swim lessons during the day, at EmBe Downtown (300 W 11<sup>th</sup> St). SAC lessons are offered to our Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders for a Level 1/2 Combo class!

Lessons will take place July 28 - August 7, Monday-Thursday, between the hours of 9am and 11:30am. Each session is two weeks, equating to eight 45-minute lessons. Kids will be picked up by an EmBe bus driver from their site and brought back following their lesson.

Registration opens Monday, May 5th, at noon and closes Monday, May 26th, at noon.

Register at <https://www.pinwheel.us/r/eocLjEy> or scan the code.



### Additional Information:

Parents will need to pack the following for swimming lesson days:

- Swimsuit
- Towel
- Goggles (optional)

If you have questions or concerns regarding swim lessons, please contact:



**Jaeya Jones**  
**Aquatics Program Manager**  
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# What to Bring & What Not to Bring

## Every Day:

- Water Bottle
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Bag/Backpack

## Swim Days:

- Water Bottle
- Swimsuit
- Towel
- Sunscreen
- EmBe T-Shirt
- Bag/Backpack

## Field Trips:

- Water Bottle
- EmBe T-Shirt
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Bag/Backpack

## Swim Pass

Every child needs to supply their own swim pass. They can be purchased in person at Midco Aquatics Center or any Sioux Falls city pool. Please give the fob to your Site Coordinator before June 2. For children who do not have a swim pass, we will ask that you pick them up before we leave for the pool.

**PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH**

## Please Leave These Items at Home:

- ELECTRONICS (ex. Tablets, Cell Phones, Gaming Devices, etc.)
- Cash/Check
- Toys from Home (Pokemon Cards, Beyblades, dolls, etc.)
- Food/Snacks

If you have questions please talk to your Site Coordinator.

*\*EmBe is not responsible for stolen or broken items.*



## CAREGIVER CONNECTION

# Procare

Procare is an app EmBe uses to help families stay connected with their child(ren) throughout the day.

### SIGN-UP

Parents/Legal Guardians that provided an email address on the enrollment form will receive an email invite to sign up for the app on their child(ren)'s first day. The email will come from Procare, not EmBe.

### DAILY SIGN-IN/OUT

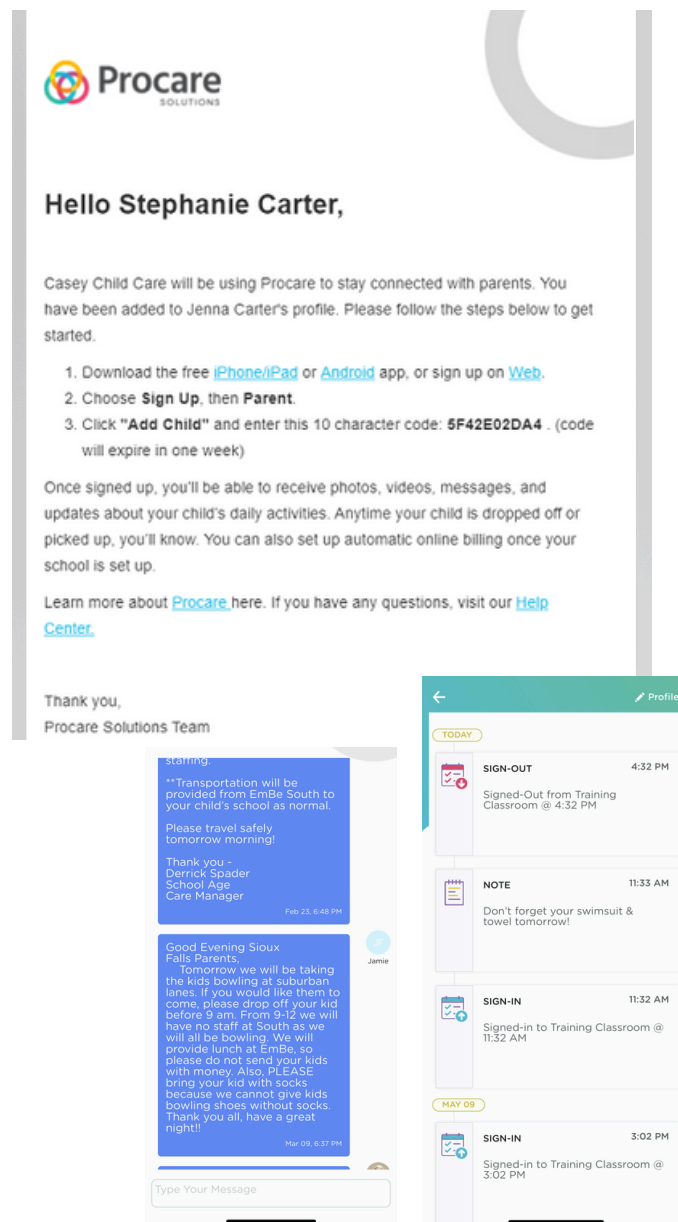
Parents/Legal Guardians must sign in their child(ren) through the Procare app on the site iPad. The site iPad can be found on the welcome table near the entrance, or a staff member can help locate it. Authorized pick-ups must sign out their child(ren) at the end of the day.

### MESSAGING

Procare has two-way messaging capabilities so you can communicate directly with your site regarding your child's health, schedule, upcoming activities, etc.

### UPDATES

To set up additional people with the app, add/remove authorized pick-ups, or update personal information, please get in touch with the Community Learning Centers Office.



If you have questions or concerns regarding the Procare App, please contact:



Community Learning Centers Office

605-367-4424

communitylearningcenter.sfsd@k12.sd.us

# Handbook & Additional Resources

Be sure to review the handbook prior to your first day. The site manager can assist in answering any questions you may have.

Read the Handbook [here](#).

Additional resources including current tuition rates and scholarship applications can be found at [www.sf.k12.sd.us/page/after-school](http://www.sf.k12.sd.us/page/after-school)

## Questions or concerns?

We are here to help.



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