

Statement of Deficiencies

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: Child to Staff Ratio

Not Met

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: A. Child to staff ratios are established to ensure the safety of all children.

B. Minimum child to staff ratios shall be met at all times.

1. There shall be a minimum of two staff members present at an early learning center when more than one child is present.
 2. Only those staff members directly providing care, supervision or guidance to children shall be counted in the child to staff ratios.
- D. Minimum Child to Staff Ratios for Type II and Type III centers:

Ages of Children		Ratio
Infants under 1 year		5:1
1 year	7:1	
2 years		11:1
3 years	13:1	
4 years		15:1
5 years		19:1
6 years and up	23:1	

G. Mixed Age Groups - Minimum Child to Staff Ratios

1. An average of the child to staff ratios may be applied to mixed age groups of children ages 2, 3, 4 and 5
2. Child to staff ratios for children under age two are excluded from averaging.
3. When a mixed age group includes children younger than age two, the age of the youngest child determines the child to staff ratio for the group.
4. An average may be applied to a mixed age group consisting only of children ages 5 and older.

Finding:

1711 A&B&D&G Based on observation/interviews: The required child to staff ratio for children failed to be met for the three and four year old classroom. Specialist completed the census of S3's classroom at 10:08am and determined there were 16 children present. S3 indicated the 16 children present were between three and four years of age. The required ratio for children of this age is 14 children per 1 staff person. Specialist observed S4 come onto premises at 10:23am and go into S3's classroom to satisfy ratio. S1 indicated S4 left premises to "get lunch". Specialist advised S1 that a teacher from the one year old class, the two year old class and/or a teacher from the two and three year old class could have been used in S3's classroom to satisfy ratio, as each of those classes were meeting ratio with one staff, after S4 left premises to get lunch.

Corrective Action: S1 stated if a staff needs to leave premises for any reason, the teachers in every classroom will "talk to each other" to ensure ratio is always met.

1901.C.: End-of-Day Check

Not Met

1901.C.: The entire center and play yard shall be checked after the last child departs to ensure that no child is left at the center and this check shall be documented. Documentation shall include date, time of visual check, and signature of the staff conducting the visual check.

Finding:

1901.C. Based on record review/interview(s):

The end of day check did not include the time of visual check and a signature of the staff conducting the visual check for 01/13/2020.

Corrective Action: S1 stated S2 "is the closer" for the center and "will check" the end of day check log before she leaves each day to ensure that it is completed.

1911.H.: Hot Liquids

Not Met

1911.H.: Hot liquids shall not be consumed in the presence of children.

Finding:

1911.H. Based on observations/interview(s): S2 consumed hot liquids in the presence of children. While completing the census of S2's classroom at 10:10am, Specialist observed S2 sitting at a table assisting a child with a paper activity, while holding a small McDonald's cup. Specialist asked S2 if there was coffee in the cup; S2 responded "cocoa".

Corrective Action: S1 stated she will speak with each staff to ensure that "they all know they can't have hot liquids around the children" to ensure this does not happen again.