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: Child to Staff Ratio: Based on observations on 3/14/19 the center failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: (18) 3-4 year old children with 1 staff. The required ratio for this mixed age group of children is 14 children per 1 staff person. Specialist observed that S6 was responsible for (18) 3-4 y/o being seated at tables in the dining room preparing for lunch. When Specialist asked S6 why she was responsible for so many children she stated that S7 asked her to watch her class. S7 returned to her class after approximately 3 minutes and corrected the child to staff ratio error. S7 is responsible for (10) of the (18) 3-4 y/o.

1903.C.: Free of Hazards Not Met

1903.C.: Indoor and outdoor areas shall be free of hazards.

Finding:

1903.C.: Free of Hazards: Based on observations on 3/14/19 the indoor area was not free of hazards as evidenced by the Specialist observing in S7's class that there is a water leak in the window seal which is a slipping hazard for children. Specialist also observed that a ceiling tile was hanging from the ceiling with exposed insulation. S1 states that she is going to have her husband take care of the repairs for the ceiling tile and water leak.