

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 Observations: Upon arrival of the center at 10:15am, Specialist completed a walk through of the center and observed 12 2 year olds in the classroom with 1 staff (S2). S2 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: ~12 ~ children age ~2~ with ~ 1~ staff. The required ratio for children of this age is ~ 11~ children per 1 staff person. Specialist informed S1 and S1 stated that a teacher was absent and the child was supposed to be with S6. Ratio was met prior to Specialist departure.

1713.A.&B.&C.: Supervision

Not Met

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A: Children shall be supervised at all times in the center, on the playground, on field trips, on non-vehicular excursions, and during all water activities and water play activities.

B: Children shall not be left alone in any room, (except the restroom as indicated in Subsection G), outdoors, or in vehicles, even momentarily, without staff present.

C: A staff person shall be assigned to supervise specific children whose names and whereabouts that staff person shall know and with whom the staff person shall be physically present. Staff shall be able to state how many children are in their care at all times.

Finding:

1713.A.&B.&C: Based on Observations: Children were not under supervision at all times as Specialist observed 2 children at 11am walking from building 2 to building 1 without a staff present. S1 stated that a staff person is normally with the children as they move from one building to the other. Specialist informed S1 that a staff person must be present with the children at all times.