

Statement of Deficiencies

1501.A.: Operations

Not Met

1501.A.: A center shall operate within the licensed capacity, age range, hours of operation and other specific services designated on its license.

Finding:

1501.A. Based on record review at 11:40am, S1 failed to notify the Department prior to making changes, and receiving approval that had an effect on the center's license. On 7/9/2021 from 8:30-11:15am, fifty-three children, ages 4 to 9-years-old, were taken by contracted transportation on a field trip to Chuck-e-Cheese.

CORRECTIVE ACTION: Effective 7/22/2021, S1 stated that she will notify the Department prior to conducting another field trip, that the center would like to add transportation for field trips only.

1921.E.: Tornado Drills

Not Met

1921.E.: Tornado drills shall be conducted at least once per month in the months of March, April, May, and June at various times of the day necessary to include all children and shall be documented.

Finding:

1921.E.: Based on record review at 2:10pm, S1 failed to provide documentation that tornado drills were conducted at least once during the months of April, May, and June 2021 at varying times of the day.

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN: Effective 7/22/2021, S1 will make sure that staff correctly file documentation after review, to ensure that this deficiency is not recited.

2101.A.13.: Appropriate Driver's License

Not Met

2101.A.13.: The center shall maintain a copy of a valid appropriate Louisiana or other state-issued driver's license for all individuals who drive vehicles used to transport children, whether said drivers are staff members or contracted drivers.

Finding:

2101.A.13.: Based on record review at 12pm, S1 failed to maintain a copy of a valid appropriate Louisiana or other state-issued driver's license for the center's contracted bus driver, O1. On 7/9/2021, O1 transported 53 children ages 4 to 9-years-old round trip from the center to Chuck-e-Cheese.

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN: Effective 7/22/2021, S1 stated that she will ensure that copies are made of all valid driver's licenses for the center's contracted bus drivers, to ensure that this deficiency is not recited.

2101.A.14.: Vehicle - Liability Insurance

Not Met

2101.A.14.: Centers shall maintain at all times current commercial liability insurance for the operation of center vehicles to ensure medical coverage for children in event of accident or injury. This policy shall extend coverage to any staff member who provides transportation for any child in the course and scope of his/her employment. The provider is responsible for payment of medical expenses of a child injured while in the center's care. Documentation shall consist of the insurance policy or current binder that includes the name of the early learning center, the name of the insurance company, policy number, period of coverage and explanation of coverage. If transportation is provided by parents for field trips or transportation is provided by contract, whether daily of field trip, a copy of the current liability insurance shall be maintained on file at the center.

Finding:

2101.A.14.: Based on record review at 12pm, S1 failed to maintain documentation of the contract driver's current liability insurance. O1 was contracted, and provided transportation for the center on 7/9/2021.

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN: Effective 7/22/2021, S1 stated that she will obtain current liability insurance for all contracted drivers prior to transporting children, to ensure that this deficiency is not recited.