

Statement of Deficiencies

1509-A.4: Disclosure of Information Policy

Not Met

1509-A.4: Disclosure of Information Policy that provides notice to parents of the licensing authority of the Licensing Division and the availability of licensing surveys/inspections, regulations and information regarding early learning centers from the Department of Education's website.

Finding:

1509-A.4 Based on record review on 8/22/2018, the center failed to have a disclosure of information policy that provides notice to parents of the licensing authority of the Licensing Division and the availability of licensing surveys/inspections, regulations and information regarding early learning centers from the Department of Education's website.

1509-A.8. a-b: Behavior Management Policy

Not Met

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Each center shall develop and implement a written behavior management policy describing the methods of behavior guidance and management that shall be used at the center.

The behavior management policy shall prohibit children from being subject to any of the following:

- i. physical or corporal punishment which includes but is not limited to yelling, slapping, spanking, yanking, shaking, pinching, exposure to extreme temperatures or other measures producing physical pain, putting anything in the mouth of a child, requiring a child to exercise, or placing a child in an uncomfortable position.
- ii. verbal abuse, which includes but is not limited to using offensive or profane language, telling a child to "shut up", or making derogatory remarks about children or family members of children in the presence of children;
- iii. the threat of a prohibited action even if there is no intent to follow through with the threat;
- iv. being disciplined by another child;
- v. being bullied by another child;
- vi. being deprived of food or beverages;
- vii. being restrained by devices such as high chairs or feeding tables for disciplinary purposes; and
- viii. having active play time withheld for disciplinary purposes, except timeout may be used during active play time for an infraction incurred during the playtime.

Finding:

1509-A.8. a-b Based on record review on 8/22/2018, the behavior management policy reviewed failed to state all the prohibited methods of discipline.

1509-A.8.c: Behavior Management Policy - Time Out

Not Met

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- i. Time out shall not be used for children under age 2.
- ii. A time out shall take place within sight of staff.
- iii. The length of each time out shall be based on the age of the child and shall not exceed 1 minute per year of age.
- iv. For children over age six, a time out may be extended beyond 1 minute per year of age, if a signed and dated statement, including a maximum time limit, from the parent granting such permission, is on file at the center.

Finding:

1509-A.8.c Based on record review on 8/22/2018, the center time out policy failed to state that the length of times out should be based on the age of a child and should not exceed 1 minute per year of age, and that children over age six, may have time out extended beyond 1 minute per year of age, if a signed and dated statement, including a maximum time limit, is received from the parent granting such permission, is on file at the center.

1509-A.9: Electronic Devices Policy

Not Met

1509-A.9: Electronic Devices Policy that provides that all activities involving electronic devices, including but not limited to television, movies, games, videos, computers and hand held electronic devices, shall adhere to the following limitations:

- a. Electronic device activities for children under age two are prohibited; and
- b. Time allowed for electronic device activities for children ages 2 and above shall not exceed 2 hours per day.

Finding:

1509-A.9 Based on record review on 8/22/2018, the center failed to have an electronic devices policy.

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1509-A.10: Computer Practices Policy

Not Met

1509-A.10: Computer Practices Policy that requires computers that allow internet access by children to be equipped with monitoring or filtering software that limits access by children to inappropriate web sites, e-mail, and instant messaging.

Finding:

1509-A.10 Based on record review on 8/22/2018, the center failed to have a computer practice policy.

1509-A.11: Programs, Movies and Video Games Policy

Not Met

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- a. Programs, movies, and video games with violent or adult content, including but not limited to soap operas, television news, and sports programs aimed at audiences other than children, shall not be permitted in the presence of children.
- b. All television, video, DVD, or other programming shall be suitable for the youngest child present.
- c. "PG" programming or its television equivalent shall not be shown to children under age 5.
- d. "PG" programming shall only be viewed by children age 5 and above and shall require written parental authorization.
- e. Any programming with a rating more restrictive than "PG" is prohibited.
- f. All video games shall be suitable for the youngest child with access to the games.
 - i. "E10+" rated games shall be permitted for children ages 10 years and older.
 - ii. "T" and "M" rated games are prohibited.

Finding:

1509-A.11 Based on record review on 8/22/2018, the center failed to have a programs, movies, and video game policy.

1511-A.3: Receiving and Releasing Children procedure

Not Met

1511-A.3: An early learning center shall establish in writing and implement procedures for: Receiving and releasing a child from the center.

Finding:

1511-A.3 Based on record review on 8/22/2018, failed to have in writing, procedures for receiving and releasing children from the center.

1717-A: Independent Contractors Records

Not Met

1717-A: Independent Contractors. The following information shall be maintained for all independent contractors, including but not limited to therapeutic professionals, extracurricular personnel, contracted transportation drivers, Department of Education, Office of Early Childhood staff and local school district staff:

1. an information form that includes the person's name, address and phone number
2. a list of duties performed while present at the center; and
3. documentation of a CCCBC-based determination of eligibility for child care purposes from the department or documentation of the adult staff member not otherwise counted in child to staff ratios that accompanied the contractor at all times while the contractor was at the center when children were present, to include the date, contractor arrival and departure time, language stating that the contractor was accompanied by the staff member at all times while at the center when children were present, and the signature of both the contractor and the accompanying staff member.

Finding:

1717-A Based on record review on 8/22/2019, S1 failed to have documentation on file for O1 to include her name, address, phone number, and a list of duties performed while at the center.

1807-C.: CCCBC-Based Determinations of Eligibility for Visitors and Contractors

Not Met

1807-C.: C. An early learning center shall obtain a CCCBC-based determination of eligibility for child care purposes from the department for each visitor or independent contractor of any kind, and shall have documentation of said determination available at all times for inspection upon request by the licensing division, unless the visitor or independent contractor, other than therapeutic professionals as defined in §103, will be accompanied at all times while at the center when children are present, by an adult staff member who is not being counted in child-to-staff ratios. The center shall have documentation of said determination of eligibility, or documentation of the accompanying staff member, available at all times for inspection upon request by the Licensing Division.

Finding:

1807-C. Based on record on 8/22/2018, S1 failed to have a CCCBC-based determination of eligibility for child care purposes from the department was not obtained for O1, prior to her being present at the center or performing services as evidence by Specialist reviewed a background report completed

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from Global Data Fusion. O1 was in the center on 6/6/2018, 6/7/2018, 6/11/2018, 7/3/2018, and 7/16/2018 as evidence by review of the sign in log from 3/16/2018-7/16/2018. The sign-in log failed to have O1's departure time on 7/16/2018, the language stating who accompanied O1 at all times while on she was on the premises, and the signature of the staff member who accompanied her at all time.

2103-A: Parental Authorization

Not Met

2103-A: Written authorization shall be obtained from a parent to transport a child on a regular basis. Such authorization shall include the name of the child, the type of transportation (to and from school, to and from home) and the names of individuals, schools, or other entities to whom the child may be released.

Finding:

2103-A Based on record review/interview on 8/22/18, S1 failed to have written authorization from parents giving permission to pick the children up from school, and transport them to the center. Specialist reviewed a total of 20 files. 16 of 20 children's files reviewed failed to have the authorization. C5, C6, C7, C8, C9, C10, C11, C12, C13, C14, C15, C16, C17, C18, C19, and C20, failed to have the authorization.

2103-E: Master Transportation Log

Not Met

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1. A copy of the current master transportation log shall be maintained on file at the center and shall include the names of the children, the pickup and drop off locations, and the authorized persons to whom the children may be released. Documentation shall be maintained whether transportation is provided by the center or contracted.
2. Each driver or monitor, whether provided by the center or through a contractor, shall be provided a current master transportation log,

Finding:

2103-E Based on record review on 8/22/2018, S1 failed to have documentation of a current master transportation log on file at the center that included the names of the children, the pickup and drop off locations, and the authorized persons to whom the children may be released. Documentation shall be maintained whether transportation is provided by the center or contracted.