

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 completing the census at Specialist arrival, Specialist observed S2 caring for 15 three to five year of children that were preparing for nap time and 1 eleven month old child, C1, eating lunch in a high chair. During the walk through, S2 did give C1 to S1. S1 then brought C1 into S1 and S3's classroom for nap time with the other 21 one to two year old children. At the time, S1 stated C1 was a year old. Upon review of C1's mastercard, C1 was found to be eleven months of age. With C1 being eleven months of age, ratio was not met in the one to two year old classroom during nap time. C1 should have been put into S4's classroom with the other three infants in order for ratio to have been met. The ratio for infants is five children per 1 staff person.