

## Statement of Deficiencies

### 1507.B.: Daily Attendance Records - Staff and Owners

Not Met

1507.B.: A daily attendance record for all staff members and owners shall be maintained that shall:

1. include the first and last name of the staff member or owner and arrival and departure times;
2. accurately reflect the staff members and owners on the center premises at any given time; and
3. be used to document staff members and owners who leave and return to the center during the day

#### Finding:

1507.B. Daily Attendance Records - Staff and Owners: Based on observations/record review: The center's staff and owner's daily attendance record did not accurately reflect persons on the child care premises at any given time as evidenced during a walk through of the center at 9:20am, Specialist observed S11 present in classroom 5 and S13 present in classroom 6. S11 and S13 failed to sign into the log after signing out to complete a bus route at 7:30am. Specialist observed the log also documented that S34 (bus driver) was signed in at 7:00am, however Specialist verified with S1 at 1:58pm that S34 was not on the center's premises. S1 stated S34 signs into the attendance log prior to leaving on his am bus route.

### 1507.E.: Daily Attendance Records - Visitors

Not Met

1507.E.: A daily attendance record for all visitors to include the name, date of visit, arrival and departure times, and the purpose of the visit.

#### Finding:

1507.E. Daily Attendance Records - Visitors: Based on record review: The center's visitor's daily attendance record did not accurately reflect when a Visitor was on the child care premises as evidenced by review of the records at 2:05pm, showed that S1 failed to document the arrival time 3 times, the departure time nineteen times, and the purpose of the visit seven times for dates 8/13/19 to 9/20/19.

### 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/interview(s): The center's staff failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 16 children age 3-4 with 1 staff. The required ratio for children of this age is 14 children per 1 staff person. One additional staff person was needed to meet ratio. During a walk-through of the center at 9:10am, Specialist observed S2 in classroom one with sixteen 3-4 yr. old children. S3 entered the room at 9:11am. Additionally, Specialist observed at 9:25am, S4 supervising sixteen 3-4 year old children in classroom two. S5 entered into the room at 9:26am.

### 1711.C.: Posted Child to Staff Ratio in Classroom

Not Met

1711.C.: The department's form noting required child-to-staff ratios shall be posted in each room included in the center's licensed capacity.

#### Finding:

1711.C.: Posted Child to Staff Ratio in Classroom: Based on observations: The department form noting required child/staff ratios included in the center's

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licensed capacity failed to be posted in ten out of twelve classrooms. Specialist observed during the initial walk through of the building at 9:05am, classroom four and classroom nine were the only classrooms with a posting of child-to-staff-ratios. S1 corrected prior to Specialist departure.

### 1723.A.&B.: CPR Certification

Not Met

1723.A.&B.: A. Infant and child CPR. Fifty percent of staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children, or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, shall have current certification in infant and child CPR through training approved by the department.

B. Adult CPR. Fifty percent of staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children, or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, shall have current certification in adult CPR through training approved by the department.

#### Finding:

1723.A.: CPR Certification: Based on observation/record review/interview: S1 did not have documentation that at least fifty percent (50%) of all staff on the premises and accessible to the children or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, have current certification in infant, and child CPR through training approved by the department. A review of records at 10:30am, showed that 4 of 32 staff present had documentation of a current certification in Infant and child CPR. S2, S8, S13, and S28 were the only staff with documentation of a current certification. A review of the staff attendance log at 1:58pm, showed that S28 signed out of the center at 10:50am, leaving the center without the minimum requirement of at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children with a current certification. S1 stated the center's staff completed a training on 8/2/19, but have not received record of their completed certification.

### 1723.C.: Pediatric First Aid

Not Met

1723.C.: Pediatric First Aid. Fifty percent of staff members on the premises of a center and accessible to children, or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, shall have current certification in pediatric first aid through training approved by the department.

#### Finding:

1723.C.: Pediatric First Aid: Based on observation/record review/interview: S1 did not have documentation that at least fifty percent (50%) of all staff on the premises and accessible to the children or at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children, whichever is less, have current certification in Pediatric First Aid through training approved by the department. A review of records at 10:30am, showed that 4 of 32 staff present had documentation of a current certification in Pediatric First Aid. S2, S8, S13, and S28 were the only staff with documentation of a current certification. A review of the staff attendance log at 1:58pm, showed that S28 signed out of the center at 10:50am, leaving the center without the minimum requirement of at least four staff on the premises and accessible to children with a current certification. S1 stated the center's staff completed a training on 8/2/19, but have not received record of their completed certification.

### 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.: CCCBC-Based Determinations of Eligibility for Visitors and Contractors: Based on observations/record review/interview(s): A CCCBC-based determination of eligibility for child care purposes from the department was not obtained for O1 prior to being present at the center and providing photography services as evidence by: At 1:11pm, Specialist observed O1, in a room, taking individual photographs of 17 children from classroom eleven. S22 and S23 were both present, but were both needed to meet ratio for this group of children. There were no additional staff present, not counted towards ratio accompanying O1.

### 1901.L.: Construction Hazards

Not Met

1901.L.: Construction, remodeling, and alterations of structures shall be done in such a manner so as to prevent hazards or unsafe conditions, such as fumes, dust and safety hazards.

#### Finding:

1901.L.: Construction Hazards: Based on observations/interview: The outdoor area was not free of hazards as evidenced, during a walk-through of the outside play yard at 2:40pm, Specialist observed an area marked and flagged where new play yard equipment will be added. The area contained a compact track loader (heavy machinery) and fork-lift attachment. This section was not roped off to prevent children from entering the area where the renovations are taking place. S1 stated the renovations began two weeks ago and are expected to be completed during this weekend, weather permitting. S1 stated the children have been on the play yard since the renovations began, but play in the grassy area.

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### 1901.M.: Strings and Cords

Not Met

1901.M.: Strings and cords, including but not limited to those found on equipment, window coverings, televisions and radios, shall be inaccessible to children under age 4.

#### Finding:

1901.M.: Strings and Cords: Based on observations: Strings and cords were accessible to children under age 4 as evidenced during a walk through of the center at 9:17am, Specialist observed a light sensory table cord accessible to thirteen 3 year old children in S6 and S7's classroom three. A light sensory table cord was accessible to fifteen 3 year old children in S8 and S9's classroom four. Specialist observed a record player cord accessible to fourteen 3 year old children in S10 and S11's classroom five. Specialist observed a Promethean board cord accessible to sixteen 3 year old children in S20 and S21's classroom ten. S1 stated she will get zip-ties from the administrative office to store the cords.

### 1919.A.&B.: Food Service and Nutrition - Menu

Not Met

1919.A.&B.: A. All meals and snacks provided by the center, and their preparation, service and storage, shall meet the requirements for meals of the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), 7 CFR 226.20, and LAC 51:XXIII.

B. The weekly menu shall:

1. be planned for each day of the week and list the specific food items served;
2. be prominently posted by the first day of each week and remain posted throughout the week; and
3. have substitutions or additions posted on or near the menu.

#### Finding:

1919.B.: Based on observations/record review/interview: Menu substitutions or additions were not posted on or near the menus. S1 and S24 both stated that the three children, age one to two, in the Early Head Start room were provided chicken nuggets and sweet potato fries for their lunch on 9/20/19. A review of the posted menu at 12:16pm, listed hot dog or chili dog, coleslaw, and sliced peaches, with no listing of the substituted food items provided. At 12:22pm, Specialist observed S24 posting the substitutions to the EHS menu.

### 1919.D.2.: Food Service and Nutrition - Choking Hazards

Not Met

1919.D.2.: Children under age 4 shall not have foods that are implicated in choking incidents. Examples of these foods include but are not limited to: whole hot dogs, hot dogs sliced in rounds, raw carrot rounds, whole grapes, hard candy, nuts, seeds, raw peas, hard pretzels, chips, peanuts, popcorn, marshmallows, spoonful of peanut butter, and chunks of meat larger than what can be swallowed whole.

#### Finding:

1919.D.2. Food Service and Nutrition - Choking Hazards: Based on observations: S1 allowed children under age 4, round corn chips which are implicated in choking incidents. At 11:17am, Specialist completed a walk-through, while children were served lunch, and observed that 109 three year old children were served corn chips during lunch. S30 stated each child was given a serving size of ten chips a piece.

### 2101.A.11.: Identification Information in Vehicle

Not Met

2101.A.11.: Center emergency information shall be prominently posted in each vehicle and shall provide the name of the director and the name, phone number and address of the center.

#### Finding:

2101.A.11.: Identification Information in vehicle: Based on observations: The vehicles used by the provider for daily transportation did not have the emergency information prominently posted in each vehicle to include: the name of the director, the name of the center, phone number of the center, and address of the center. Specialist completed a vehicle check of bus #33, and observed the bus did not contain the center's information, but contained emergency information for two other center locations. S1 stated this bus is being used as a substitute bus while one of their vehicles is being repaired. S1 will post the center's information in all substitute vehicles.