

## 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 four children are present.
2. Only those staff members directly providing care, supervision or guidance to children shall be counted in the child to staff ratios.
3. The department's form noting required child-to-staff ratios shall be posted in each room included in the center's licensed capacity.
4. Minimum child-to-staff ratios for type II and type III centers are as follows.

Ages of Children	Ratio
Infants under 1 year	5:1
1 year	7:1
2 years	10:1
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 two, three, four and five.
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 five and older.

#### Finding:

1711.A.&B. Based on observation at 9:30 a.m., S1 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 12 children, ages two and three-year-old, with 1 staff. The required ratio for children of this age is 11 children per 1 staff person. S1 corrected this issue prior to Specialist exiting the center.

CORRECTION ACTION PLAN: Effective 9/21/2022, S2 will monitor the classrooms every twenty minutes in the morning drop off time to ensure compliance with this regulation.

### 1903.D.5.: Room Capacity

Not Met

1903.D.5.: The number of children using a room shall be based on the 35 square feet per child requirement, except for dining, sleeping, and other non-routine activities such as film viewing and parties.

#### Finding:

1903.D.5. Based on observations at 9:50 a.m., the number of children using a room was exceeded based on the 35 square feet per child requirement. S7's classroom can accommodate 13 children and 14 were present. S4's classroom can accommodate 12 children and 13 were present.

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