

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 observation/interview: The Provider did not have at a minimum of 2 child care staff present at an early learning center when more than one child is present as one staff was supervising 4 children age infant to three years old. Specialist arrived and walked into the facility at 10:19am and found S1 present with four children, and there were no other staff present. S1 stated that S3 stepped out for a 15 minute break. S1 called S2 to come in to the center, and S2 arrived at 10:38am.

Specialist reviewed attendance from today and found that 4 children were present between 6:30 and 7:00 am with only one staff, S3, present until S4 came to the center at 7:00am. S1 stated this is how it has been, and stated she would switch S4 to 6:00am for two staff to be present.