

Statement of Deficiencies

713.A.: Office of Public Health, State Fire, City Fire Approval

Not Met

713.A.: Annual licensing inspections by the department, current approvals by the Office of Public Health, Office of State Fire Marshal, and city fire (if applicable), and academic approval by the department (if type III center) shall be required before the expiration of an existing license. However, if a center has documentation establishing that the center requested an inspection by the Office of Public Health or the Office of State Fire Marshal prior to the expiration of the existing license, these approvals may be submitted to the department within 90 calendar days of the date of the license renewal.

Finding:

713.A. Office of Public Health, State fire, City Fire Approval: Based on record review/interview: S1 lacked documentation of an updated annual inspection and approval from the Office of Public Health and State Fire Marshal. The date of the last approval for the Office of Public Health is 5/29/19 and the State Fire Marshal is 6/14/19, however, during a visit on 10/14/19, Specialist observed renovations were made to enclose a large open space into two classrooms which is now divided by a hallway. Specialist observed three 1 year old children in one classroom, and eight 3 year old children in the second classroom. S1 stated the renovations were completed during the weekend of 8/31/19 to 9/2/19, while the children were not present in the center. S1 has not received an inspection with an updated approval prior to the children using the renovated space.

1501.A.: Operations

Not Met

1501.A.: A center shall operate within the licensed capacity, age range, hours of operation and other specific services designated on its license.

Finding:

1501.A.: Operations: Based on observations/record review/interview(s): S1 did not notify the Licensing Division prior to making changes that had an effect on the license as the provider is no longer utilizing the front area as a large open space that was previously approved by the Licensing Division. Specialist observed during a visit on 10/14/19, the large open space is now enclosed with walls and doors and is now two classrooms, separated by a hallway. S1 stated she was not aware it was necessary to report the changes to the Department as the renovations were completed during the weekend, when no children were present.

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:

- electronic device activities for children under age two are prohibited; and
- time allowed for electronic device activities for children ages two and above shall not exceed two hours per day, with the exception that television, DVD, or video viewing shall be limited to no more than one hour per day;

Finding:

1509.A.9.: Electronic Devices Policy: Based on record review/interview(s): Although S1 has a written policy in the Parent Handbook, S1 did not follow the Electronic Devices Policy as electronic devices were used by children under age 2, and the time allowed for electronic device activities for children exceeded 2 hours per day, with the exception that television, DVD, or video viewing shall be limited to no more than one hour per day. During a review of staff personnel files on 10/14/19 at 5:13pm, Specialist observed the record included an Employee Handbook policy which did not follow the written policy provided in the Parent Handbook. The Employee Handbook stated that televisions are on until 8:30am, the center opens at 6:45am, and they are turned on again at 5:00pm until the center closes at 5:30pm. S1 stated the television is on in the morning as the children arrive. S1 stated the children are placed together, including children age one, until all of the staff arrive to separate into their individual classes at around 8:30am. During a visit on 10/21/19, S1 stated she has updated the schedule to limit the television, DVD, and video viewing to children, age two and above, from 7:30am to 8:15, and again from 5:15pm to 5:30pm.

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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 observation: S1 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children. During a walk through on 10/21/19 at 8:00am, Specialist observed seventeen 3 and 4 year old children S13's classroom. The required ratio for children of this age group is fourteen children per one staff person. Specialist observed at 8:02am, fourteen 1 year old children in S10's classroom. The required ratio for children of this age is seven per one staff person. Each classroom would need one additional staff person to meet child to staff ratio requirements.

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: S1 failed to have 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, with a current certification in infant and child CPR through training approved by the department. Specialist observed on 10/21/19 at 8:03am, 3 of 8 staff present had a current certification. S4 arrived at 8:11am, which fulfilled the minimum requirement of at having at least four staff certified on the premises.

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: S1 failed to have 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, with a current certification in Pediatric First Aid through training approved by the department. Specialist observed on 10/21/19 at 8:03am, 3 of 8 staff present had a current certification. S4 arrived at 8:11am, which fulfilled the minimum requirement of at having at least four staff certified on the premises.