

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: Child to Staff Ratio: Upon arrival to the center at 10:00am, Specialist observed that S9 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 11 children age 1-2 yr old with 1 staff. The required ratio for children of this age is 7 children per 1 staff person. 1 year olds can not be averaged in the mixed age groups. S9 had 1 1-year old and 10 2-year olds, one additional staff member was needed to meet the ratio requirements for the group. Ratio was corrected by moving a floater to the room with S9 while Specialist was still present in the center.

Corrective Action Plan: S2 stated that today, 10/21/20, she is going to redo the roster so that the teacher is not over in ratio for her age group. S2 will utilize the floater until a new roster is figured out and children moved.