

Statement of Deficiencies

1711.A.&B.&F.&G.: Child to Staff Ratio

Not Met

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- 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.
- F. Minimum Child to Staff Ratios for Type I centers:

Ages of Children	Ratio			
Infants under 1 year	6:1			
1 year		8:1	2 years	12:1
3 years	14:1			
4 years	16:1			
5 years	20:1			
6 years and up		25:1		

- 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.&F.&G.: Based on observation at approximately 10:25am, S1 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: S2 and S3 was observed supervising 13 children ages 2 months to 5 months. Also, S4 was observed supervising 7 children ages 6 months to 1 year. The required ratio for children under 1 year is 6 children per 1 staff person. S1 stated ratio will be met when S9 arrives at 12:00pm.

Corrective Action Plan: Effective 10/27/2020, S1 stated she has posted an advertisement on the Internet to hire one full time staff and part time staff to ensure she has enough staff for ratio to be met at all times.