

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. Based on observation/record review: S6 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 13 children age Two years with 1 staff. The required ratio for children of this age is 11 children per 1 staff person. At 9:54 a.m., Specialist observed S5 with thirteen 2 year old children and Picard observer O1 in the classroom. S2 was observed with six 2 year old children at 9:51 a.m. using the bathroom facilities outside of the classroom. S2 stated her and S5 were supervising the two year old classroom together. S2 took two children from the classroom of S5 at 9:55 a.m. to bring the class of S5 back within the required child to staff ratio.

1713.E.&F.: Supervision Participation

Not Met

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E: While supervising a group of children, staff shall devote their time to supervising the children, meeting the needs of the children, and participating with them in their activities.

F: Staff duties that include cooking, housekeeping or administrative functions shall not interfere with the supervision of children.

Finding:

NEW 1713-E. Based on observation: While supervising a group of children, childcare staff did not devote their time to supervision of the children, meeting the needs of the children, and in participation with the children in their activities. S3 was observed to be on her cell phone as Specialist entered the classroom of her and S4 at 9:52 a.m.