

Statement of Deficiencies

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:

- a. Electronic device activities for children under age two are prohibited; and
- b. Time allowed for electronic device activities for children ages 2 and above shall not exceed 2 hours per day.

Finding:

1509-A.9 Based on observations:

The center did not follow the Electronic Devices Policy as Electronic Devices were used by children under age 2.

- Upon Specialist arrival, 20 children, ages 4 months to 4 years old, were looking at television.

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 observations/interview(s): The center failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children.

- Upon Specialist arrival at 11:16am, there were two staff on premises caring for 20 children, ages 4 months to 4 years old, according to record review. S1 was in the kitchen preparing lunch while S2 was in th "big room" with the 20 children.

The breakdown on the children's ages are a follow:

three infants, 4 one year old children, 7 two year old children, 5 three year old children and 1 four year old child. The ratio for infants is 5 children per one staff.

The three infants plus two of the one year old children was ratio for one of the two staff present as the ratio for infants is 5 children per 1 staff person.

The remaining two 1 year old children plus 5 of the two year old children was ratio for the second staff person present as the ratio for one year old children are 7 children per 1 staff. The center needed a third staff present in order for ratio to have been met for the 8 children that remained. S3 came onto premises to satisfy ratio for the remaining 8 children at 11:50am.