

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION OFFICE OF CHILDHOOD - CHILD CARE COMPLIANCE COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT 1/11/2021

DVN

002539097

FACILITY NAME

T-REX INVESTMENTS, LLC

FACILITY ADDRESS

482 KAREN DR

 CITY
 ZIP CODE
 PHONE NUMBER
 COUNTY

 HOLTS SUMMIT
 65043-1543
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 CALLAWAY

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

PARSLEY, JIM

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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19 CSR 30-62.112 (1)

The following staff/child ratios shall be maintained on the premises at all times.

19 CSR 30-62.112 (1)(E)

Mixed Age Groups Two Years (2) and Up. Groups composed of mixed ages of children two (2) years of age and older shall have no less than one (1) adult to ten (10) children with a maximum of four (4) two (2)-year olds. When there are more than four (4) two (2)-year olds in a mixed group, the staff/child ratio shall be no less than one (1) adult to eight (8) children.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

The SCCR has determined that T-Rex Investments, L.L.C. was in violation of the above regulations. This determination is being based upon statements made by Mary "Katie" Winn, the teacher in the 3-5 year old classroom during Child Care Facility Specialist, Jim Parsley's, inspection on the afternoon of January 12, 2021. At that time, Mary "Katie" Winn stated that she was the only staff member on the premises of the facility, that she had twenty-nine 3-5 year old children in her care, and that the other teachers were either on lunch break or involved in inclusion conferences at T-Rex Investment, L.L.C.'s other location on Summit Drive in Holts Summit. The assistant director, Samantha Lacefield, stated that, when she left shortly before Child Care Facility Specialist, Jim Parsley's, arrival, Mary "Katie" Winn was the only staff person on the premises, and that she did not remember how may children were on the premises when she left. During an in-person conversation with Child Care Facility Specialist, Jim Parsley, on the morning of January 25, 2021, the director for T-Rex Investments, L.L.C., Nicci Rexroat, stated that the teachers at the facility's Karen Drive location were supposed to have come over to the Summit Drive location one-at-a-time, in order to participate in inclusion conferences. Nicci Rexroat stated that the teachers at the Karen Drive location did not wait until returning teachers from the Summit Drive location arrived before leaving which resulted in staff -to-child ratio violations at the former site. Finally, during the inspection on January 12, 2021, Child Care Facility Specialist, Jim Parsley, examined the entirety of T-Rex Investment, L.L.C.'s Karen Drive location, including both buildings of the facility, playground, and other areas, observed Mary "Katie" Winn in the gymnasium/nap room with twenty-nine 3-5 year old children, but no one else child or adult - on the premises.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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T-Rex Investments 1.1.C. will conduct a staff meeting, during which it will be

Yes

4/28/2021

T-Rex Investments, L.L.C. will conduct a staff meeting, during which it will be explained that SCCR regulations require a staff-to-child ratio of 1:10 be maintained on the premises at all times for a group of children 3-5 years of age. Copies of the agenda and sign-in sheet from this meeting will be provided to the SCCR.

DISPOSITION DATE
3/5/2021

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

BRUCE, CHRISTINA