



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
OFFICE OF CHILDHOOD - CHILD CARE COMPLIANCE

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF
SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT
8/25/2022

DVN
002890297

FACILITY NAME

THE LEARNING CASTLE LLC

FACILITY ADDRESS

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CITY

ARCHIE

ZIP CODE

64725-9611

PHONE NUMBER

(816) 293-5669

COUNTY

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ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

IBBOTSON, JESSICA

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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5 CSR 25-500.082(2)(A)9.

The facility shall be clean at all times and free of dirt, insects, spiders, rodents or other pests.

5 CSR 25-500.082(8)(D)

No animals shall be permitted in food preparation areas.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

Compliance Inspector (CI) Jessica Glover conducted an investigation regarding the allegation that the children have flea bites from the daycare and Owner Payton Jamison was bringing stray cats into the daycare, utilizing the children's cribs. After conducting the investigation, CI Glover finds this allegation is substantiated. This conclusion is based on the following evidence of licensing rule violations which occurred at the facility:

5 CSR 25-500.082(2)(A)9. which states: "The facility shall be clean at all times and free of dirt, insects, spiders, rodents or other pests."

AND

5 CSR 25-500.082(8)(D) which states: "No animals shall be permitted in food preparation areas."

On August 26, 2022, CI Glover interviewed Owner Payton Jamison, Director Kimberly Smith and Caregivers Serina Duncan and Meagan Hill whom all stated that a flea was found in the preschool classroom. Ms. Jamison stated that she believed fleas were getting inside the facility by the stray cats utilizing the crawl space outside. Ms. Jamison stated she had already flea bombed the facility and arranged for a pest control service to visit over the weekend while the facility was closed. Ms. Jamison and Ms. Duncan stated that Ms. Jamison put her personal cat in a pack-n-play in the kitchen area during operating hours.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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The facility shall notify all staff members of the violations which were substantiated, and specify the actions to be taken by all staff in order to comply with all licensing violations cited. A copy of the memo, letter, or staff meeting agenda(s) shall be submitted to the Office of Childhood.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

10/27/2022

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

10/25/2022

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

NURNBERG, TONY A