



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

DATE OF REPORT
7/27/2021

DVN
002793615

FACILITY NAME

BLAUVELT, WHITNEY ANN

FACILITY ADDRESS

93 VOSHOLL LN

CITY

BONNOTS MILL

ZIP CODE

65016-2262

PHONE NUMBER

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COUNTY

OSAGE

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

RAYWARNKE, LAUREN R

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

VIOLATION(S)

19 CSR 30-61.085 (3)(B)(2)

Swimming and wading pools shall have a water filtration system. The water in swimming and wading pools shall be treated, cleaned and maintained in accordance with health practices and rules as determined by the local or state health authority, or both.

19 CSR 30-61.085 (3)(B)(6)

An adult who has completed a course in basic water safety, which includes infant/child CPR, shall be on duty when a swimming or wading pool containing less than forty-eight inches (48") of water is being used.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

The Section for Child Care Regulations SCCR determined the allegations of this complaint to be substantiated. The determination was based on documentation reviewed through the course of the investigation, observations made by CCFS Ray-Warnke and interviews conducted with the owner Whitney Blauvelt, The Mother of Child A and the Mother of Child B.

Licensing Rule 19 CSR 30-61.085 (3)(B)(2) states; Swimming and wading pools shall have a water filtration system. The water in swimming and wading pools shall be treated, cleaned and maintained in accordance with health practices and rules as determined by the local or state health authority, or both.

On August 4, 2021 CCFS Ray-Warnke observed a Sams.com picture of the "My First Watersplash Splash and Slide". The product description states that the waterslide is a climb, slide and splash integrated water slide. The product description states that the water slide includes a splash pool. On August 4, 2021 Whitney Blauvelt stated that she did post a picture of the water slide used for water play on her Facebook. Whitney Blauvelt stated that she posted the picture to her page in July. Whitney Blauvelt stated that the picture shows children sitting in a pool at the bottom of a waterslide. Whitney Blauvelt stated that she was the only provider at the family home on July 21, 2021. Whitney Blauvelt stated that the pool at the bottom of the waterslide is not filtered. On August 4, 2021 CCFS Ray-Warnke observed a picture of the water slide from July 21, 2021. CCFS Ray-Warnke observed ten children sitting at the bottom of a waterslide. CCFS Ray-Warnke observed ten children sitting in a pool of water in the picture.

On August 20, 2021 The Mother of Child A and The Mother of Child B both stated that they have seen a water slide at the family home child care center. The Mother of Child A stated that she saw pictures of the water slide with the pool on Miss Whitney's Facebook page. The Mother of Child A stated that the pictures were posted because the children were having a water play beach day. The Mother of Child B stated that there is a pool at the bottom of the water slide. The Mother of Child B stated that the pool at the bottom of the water slide is not filtered.

On August 4, 2021 Whitney Blauvelt stated that she did not know that all pools needed to be filtered. Whitney stated that she did not know that water slides that contained pools at the bottom of the slide needed to be filtered. Whitney Blauvelt stated that she will no longer use any type of pool at the family home during family child care hours. On August 20, 2021 The Mother of Child A and the Mother of Child B both stated that they have not seen any pool at the family home child care center since the licensing investigation on August 4, 2021. On August 20, 2021 The Mother of Child B stated that Miss Whitney has stopped all water play days for the summer.

Whitney Blauvelt stated on August 4, 2021 that she frequently goes over basic water safety rules with children prior to water play. Whitney Blauvelt stated that she always discusses using walking feet to prevent children from falling while around water and wet surfaces. Whitney Blauvelt stated that strict instructions were given in regards to how to properly use the water slide on July 21, 2021. Children had to use the handles to climb up the slide. Children had to sit on their bottoms while going down the slide. Children had to use walking feet while exiting the slide. Children had to wait to take turns while going up the slide. Only one child was allowed up the slide at time.

Licensing Rule 19 CSR 30-61.085 (3)(B)(6) states; An adult who has completed a course in basic water safety, which includes infant/child CPR, shall be on duty when a swimming or wading pool containing less than forty-eight inches (48") of water is being used.

On Tuesday August 24, 2021 Whitney Blauvelt sent an e-mail to CCFS Ray-Warke stating; "I have not taken any classes in basic water safety!"

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

CORRECTIVE MEASURE	COMPLETED (Y/N)	COMPLETED DATE
The provider and assistant will sign a statement stating that "No unfiltered swimming or wading pools will be used at the family home child care center during operational hours". A copy of the signed statement shall be provided to the Section for Child Care Regulations.	Yes	9/23/2021

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The provider and assistant shall review the home's policies and all licensing rules and regulations regarding "Swimming and Wading Pools". The provider and assistant will review licensing rule 19 CSR 30-61.085 (3)(B)(2) and 19 CSR 30-61.085 (3)(B)(6) . The provider and assistant shall sign a statement to indicate they understand and agree to follow the rules and regulations. A copy of the signed statements shall be provided to the Section for Child Care Regulations.	Yes	9/23/2021

DISPOSITION	DISPOSITION DATE
SUBSTANTIATED	9/13/2021

APPROVING SUPERVISOR
TODARO, KAYLA