



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

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF  
SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT  
4/14/2023

DVN  
002636606

FACILITY NAME

WINTERSET MONTESSORI, LLC

FACILITY ADDRESS

812 SW FORESTPARK LN

CITY

LEES SUMMIT

ZIP CODE

64081-2136

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COUNTY

JACKSON

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

GREER, JOHN

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(A)1.

Caregivers shall not leave any child without competent adult supervision.

5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(A)3.

Caregivers shall provide frequent, direct contact so children are not left unobserved on the premises.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

Compliance Inspector (CI) JD Greer conducted an unannounced investigation of the allegation that Child A (15 months old) was left unattended on the playground with no adult supervision. The allegation is substantiated based on the following information:

5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(A)1. which states, "Caregivers shall not leave any child without competent adult supervision."

AND

5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(A)3. which states, "Caregivers shall provide frequent, direct contact so children are not left unobserved on the premises."

On April 20, 2023, CI JD Greer interviewed Director Amie Stickley who stated on April 13, 2023, Child A was left outside alone on the playground. Child A was alone for approximately 30 seconds. Caregivers for Child A's classroom were Caregivers Cheyann Lewis and Kelci Tanis. Caregiver Jaquelyn Davidson saw the child and brought them inside.

On April 20, 2023, CI Greer interviewed Caregiver Jaquelyn Davidson who stated on April 13, 2023, she saw Child A on the playground. She did not see any caregivers present. She does not know how long he was on the playground for.

On April 20, 2023, CI Greer interviewed Caregiver Cheyann Lewis who stated on April 13, 2023, she was outside with the two-year-old classroom with Caregiver Kelci Tanis. Caregiver Lewis conducted a headcount on the playground, and they had all eight children. Caregiver Lewis came inside with four children. Caregiver Kelci Tanis was not far behind her and bringing the rest of the children. One or two minutes later, Caregiver Tanis entered the classroom with the rest of the class. Caregiver Lewis conducted a headcount in the classroom and realized Child A was missing.

On April 20, 2023, CI Greer interviewed Caregiver Kelci Tanis who stated on April 13, 2023, she was outside with Caregiver Lewis. She conducted a head count with Caregiver Lewis and all eight children were accounted for. Caregiver Lewis went ahead of her with some of the children and she followed behind with 3 other children. She thought that was all of the children on the playground. When she got to the classroom, she and Caregiver Lewis realized Child A was missing.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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All staff and volunteers must obtain two clock hours on supervision. Verification of training completion shall be sent to the Office of Childhood.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

11/14/2023

CORRECTIVE MEASURE

The facility shall conduct a staff meeting to review the center's policies and all

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

7/21/2023

licensing rules and regulations regarding supervision. Specifically, 5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(A)1. which states, "Caregivers shall not leave any child without competent adult supervision." AND 5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(A)3. which states, "Caregivers shall provide frequent, direct contact so children are not left unobserved on the premises." The facility must provide the Office of Childhood with a statement, signed by all staff members (paid employees and paid/unpaid volunteers), to indicate they understand and agree to follow those rules and regulations.

**DISPOSITION**

SUBSTANTIATED

**DISPOSITION DATE**

8/8/2023

**APPROVING SUPERVISOR**

FOX, ROMENA