



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

**COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF  
SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS**

**DATE OF REPORT**  
5/31/2019

**DVN**  
002572578

**FACILITY NAME**

CANTERBURY ACADEMY AT BRIARCLIFF

**FACILITY ADDRESS**

1701 NW PLATTE RD

**CITY**

KANSAS CITY

**ZIP CODE**

64150-8503

**PHONE NUMBER**

(816) 587-2170

**COUNTY**

CLAY

**ASSIGNED SPECIALIST**

SNODGRASS, PENNY

**RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)**

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19 CSR 30-62.182 (1)(A)(1)

Caregivers shall not leave any child without competent adult supervision.

19 CSR 30-62.182 (1)(A)(3)

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

**CONCLUSION SUMMARY**

Section for Child Care Regulation has determined that Canterbury Academy at Briarcliff violated licensing rules based on interviews with staff and an observation made by Child Care Facility Specialist (CCFS) Penny Snodgrass.

On June 3, 2019 CCFS Snodgrass conducted an unannounced inspection at the facility. During the inspection interviews were conducted with Director Megan Stattelmann and staff members Lindsay Branch Watkins, Brittney Morris, Robynn Nevins, Martha Wright, Kelsie Swann and Cari Palmer.

During the inspection CCFS Snodgrass observed that the distance from the office chair that Child A was sitting in to the couch in the lobby of the facility was approximately 23 feet. CCFS Snodgrass observed that the distance from the office to the kitchen across the hallway is approximately 11 feet. CCFS Snodgrass observed that the office had a door and windows. From where the couches are located, an individual would not be able to see in the windows of the office. From where Child A was sitting in the chair, as shown in the photo submitted by Robynn Nevins, it could not be determined if Child A could have been seen from a staff member sitting on the couch in the lobby.

Megan Stattelmann stated that she did leave Child A sitting in the office while she went to check on a child in the South America classroom for a parent that was calling. Megan Stattelmann stated that she did not ask Kelsie or Brittney, who were on their breaks, sitting in the lobby on the couches, to watch Child A because Kelsie asked her when she walked by her if Child A was still sick and if she knew Child A was still in the office. Lindsey Branch Watkins stated that she was in and out of the kitchen and didn't know that Child A was in the office without adult supervision. Even though Kelsie and Brittney knew that Child A was sitting in the office without adult supervision they did not get up and go to the office which was approximately 23 feet away and through an office door to supervise Child A. Kelsie Swann stated that she could see Child A in the office from the couch that she was sitting in the lobby, but again that was 23 feet away and through an office door. Director Megan Stattelmann stated Child A was in the office alone, without adult supervision, for about three to four minutes.

Based on interviews and observations this allegation is substantiated because Child A was left in the office on May 31, 2019 without direct supervision from an adult.

**CORRECTIVE MEASURES**

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Canterbury Academy at Briarcliff staff will complete 1 hour of MO Workshop Calendar approved supervision training. Verification of the training will be sent to CCFS Snodgrass by August 30, 2019.

**COMPLETED (Y/N)**

Yes

**COMPLETED DATE**

10/1/2019

**DISPOSITION**

SUBSTANTIATED

**DISPOSITION DATE**

7/25/2019

**APPROVING SUPERVISOR**

TAYLOR, WANDA ILENE