



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

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF
SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT
10/13/2023

DVN
002605247

FACILITY NAME

THE SANDLOT PRESCHOOL AND ACTIVITY CENTER, LLC

FACILITY ADDRESS

6420 E HIGHWAY 124

CITY

HALLSVILLE

ZIP CODE

65255-4501

PHONE NUMBER

(573) 696-2020

COUNTY

BOONE

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

HONEA, MICHELLE J

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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5 CSR 25-600.020 (1)

Prior to the employment or presence of a child care staff member in a licensed , regulated, or registered child care facility not exempted by section 210.1080.13, RSMo, the child care provider shall request the results of a criminal background check for such child care staff member from the department.

5 CSR 25-500.102(1)(M)

The provider shall request the results of a criminal background check for child care staff members as required by 5 CSR 25-600.020 General Requirements.

5 CSR 25-500.102(1)(N)

Child care staff members shall have qualifying background screening results on file as required by 5 CSR 25-600.020 General Requirements.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

On October 13, 2023, the Office of Childhood (OOC) received the allegation that the facility constantly is hiring workers who are not fingerprinted. After conducting an investigation, Compliance Inspector (CI) Michelle Honea found the allegation to be substantiated based on the following information.

5 CSR 25-500.102(1)(M), which states: "The provider shall request the results of a criminal background check for child care staff members as required by 5 CSR 25-600.020 General Requirements."

AND

5 CSR 25-500.102(1)(N), which states: "Child care staff members shall have qualifying background screening results on file as required by 5 CSR 25-600.020 General Requirements."

AND

5 CSR 25-600.020(1), which states: "Prior to the employment or presence of a childcare staff member in a licensed , regulated, or registered childcare facility not exempted by section 210.1080.13, RSMo, the childcare provider shall request the results of a criminal background check for such childcare staff member from the department ."

On October 18, 2023, director Brooke Crane stated that she hired Ms. McKenzie on October 13, 2023. Ms. McKenzie worked on October 17 to shadow Ms. Justice and is here today (October 18).

On October 18, 2023, caregiver McKenzie Bartlett stated that she was not aware that she could not be at the facility until the fingerprinting had been completed.

On October 18, 2023, CI Honea reviewed staff files and caregiver McKenzie Bartlett was present and caring for children without an eligible letter of the comprehensive background screening.

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 violations cited. A copy of the memo, letter, or staff meeting agenda shall

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

7/31/2024

be submitted to the Office of Childhood.

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

12/12/2023

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

CHRISCO, MARLA L