



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

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

DATE OF REPORT

4/26/2019

DVN

002500092

FACILITY NAME

BRIGHTON BEGINNINGS

FACILITY ADDRESS

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CITY

BRIGHTON

ZIP CODE

65617-7252

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COUNTY

POLK

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

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RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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CONCLUSION SUMMARY

The Section for Child Care Regulation (SCCR) determined that on Tuesday April 23, 2019, Child A ran from his classroom, through the hallway, out the door and across the parking lot where Child A's mother was sitting in the vehicle. According to caregivers and directors interviewed, Child A's teacher remained in the classroom with the other children and called on her cell phone for assistance to find Child A who had run out of her classroom. The director was not present at the facility at the time of the incident, so another teacher was called to locate Child A. By this time, Child A's mother had brought Child A back into the facility. Child A's mother estimated that Child A was unsupervised for 10-15 seconds. Observation of video footage of the parking lot show that Child A's mother walked out of the building at 7:01:13 AM, Child A's mother closes her driver's side door at 7:02:05 AM, Child A runs out of the door at 7:02:20 AM, Child A reaches his mother's driver's side door at 7:02:30 AM and Child A and Child A's mother enter the building at 7:04:02 AM. Video footage inside the facility does not exist, therefore there is no way for SCCR to determine how long Child A was left unobserved on the premises from when he left the classroom to the time that he exited the building.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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The facility shall develop a policy on children running from the classroom or the facility. All caregivers shall review the policy and sign a statement that they understand and agree to abide by the policy. The statements shall be maintained in the caregivers personnel records for review.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

6/24/2019

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

6/14/2019

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

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