



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

DATE OF REPORT
5/19/2021

DVN
002500092

FACILITY NAME
BRIGHTON BEGINNINGS

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CITY
BRIGHTON

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65617-7252

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COUNTY
POLK

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST
WHITE, LEAH

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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19 CSR 30-60.070 (1)(A)

Children shall not be left without adult supervision.

RSMo 210.254.2(3)

The notice of parental responsibility shall include the following: The staff/child ratios for enrolled children under two years of age, for children ages two to four and for those five years of age and older as required by the department of health and senior services regulations in licensed facilities, the standard ratio of staff to number of children for each age level maintained in the exempt facility, and the total number of children to be enrolled by the facility.

RSMo 210.254.2(5)

The notice of parental responsibility shall include the following: The disciplinary philosophy and policies of the child-care facility.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

SCCR determined the allegations of this complaint to be substantiated as a caregiver was found to be spraying children in the face with a water bottle, up to twenty children with one caregiver and no caregivers, and children leaving the room. In addition, Caregivers confirmed they take the children's stuffed animals away if they are not being good.

Surveillance tape of the classroom from May 6, 2021, showed children being sprayed in the face for fun and one child not taking it so well. In addition, the caregiver was observed on video grabbing a child by the arm and sitting her with force on the wall. Children were observed without caregivers in the room, leaving the room, and one caregiver leaving another with up to twenty children. The facility Notice of Parental Responsibility (NPR) was reviewed and was not being followed for their set child/ staff ratio and for their discipline methods.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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The facility shall file a new Notice of Parental Responsibility or follow the Notice of Parental Responsibility they have on file.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

11/1/2022

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

8/2/2021

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

WHITE, LEAH