



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

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

DATE OF REPORT

2/14/2023

DVN

002812102

FACILITY NAME

MIMI'S PLAYSCHOOL

FACILITY ADDRESS

24 BOONEDOCKS TRAIL

CITY

LINN

ZIP CODE

65051

PHONE NUMBER

(573) 291-0209

COUNTY

OSAGE

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

HONEA, MICHELLE J

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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5 CSR 25-500.112(1)

The following staff/child ratios shall be maintained on the premises at all times:

5 CSR 25-500.112(1)(A)

Birth Through Two (2) Years. Groups composed of mixed ages through two (2) years shall have no less than one (1) adult to four (4) children, with no more than eight (8) children in a group;

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

Compliance Inspector (CI) Michelle Honea conducted an investigation of the allegation that on February 13, 2023, between 6:30 to 7:30am, there was not enough teachers, which also happens a lot in the evenings, around 4:15pm. The allegation is substantiated based on the following information:

5 CSR 25-500.112(1): which states, "The following staff/child ratios shall be maintained on the premises at all times:"

AND

5 CSR 25.500.112(1)(A): which states, "Birth Through Two (2) Years. Groups composed of mixed ages through two (2) years shall have no less than one (1) adult to four (4) children, with no more than eight (8) children in the group:"

On February 21, 2023, CI Honea conducted an unannounced inspection to the facility and interviewed Director Rachael Jones. While at the facility CI Honea did a walk through and observed that Director Rachael Jones was the only staff at the facility with nine children with three of the children being under two-years-old.

On February 21, 2023, CI Honea interviewed Director Rachael Jones who stated that in the mornings there is not another staff members from 6:30 am until after 7:30 am so she is always out of ratio. Director Rachael Jones stated there are two staff members from 3:00 pm to close at 5:30 pm with 14 children.

On March 16, 2023, CI Honea conducted an unannounced follow-up inspection at the facility and interviewed staff Claire Galbraich, Lucy Peters, and Director Rachael Jones. All staff stated that there is full coverage at all times now and that the necessary changes have been made to remain in ratio. CI Honea did a walk through and observed enough staff per the number of children at the facility. Claire Galbraich and Lucy Petters were with ten children ages 7-months-old to 4-years-old with two of the children being 2-years-old. Director Rachael Jones was also on the premises but not counted in ratio.

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 be submitted to the Office of Childhood.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

5/5/2023

CORRECTIVE MEASURE

Signs shall be posted at all entrances of the rooms displaying the required staff/child ratios. A statement indicating that this has been completed shall be submitted to the Office of Childhood..

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

5/9/2023

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

4/9/2023

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

CHRISCO, MARLA L