



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

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF  
SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT  
6/30/2020

DVN  
002754685

**FACILITY NAME**

GODS RISING STARS CHILD CARE CENTER CORP

**FACILITY ADDRESS**

3611 E 27TH ST

**CITY**

KANSAS CITY

**ZIP CODE**

64127-4330

**PHONE NUMBER**

(816) 599-7010

**COUNTY**

JACKSON

**ASSIGNED SPECIALIST**

RUFFIN, MICHELLE

**RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)**

**VIOLATION(S)**

19 CSR 30-62.082 (2)(B)(2)(B)(III)

If a unit for infants and toddlers is auxiliary to a facility for older children, centers initially licensed for infant/toddler care after the effective date of these rules or facilities adding new infant/toddler space, shall have play, sleeping and bathroom space in the infant and toddler unit. This space shall be separated from the space used for older children by floor-to-ceiling walls.

19 CSR 30-62.112 (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**

The Section for Child Care Regulation has determined this allegation to be substantiated.

On July 6, 2020, CCFS Michelle Ruffin and CCS Tony Nurnberg conducted an unannounced inspection at God's Rising Stars Child Care Center Corp. Interviews were conducted with Child A, Child B, and caregivers Marie Requena, LaRhonda Lofton and Sartecia Bryant. Marie Requena and Sartecia Bryant deny that infants / toddlers are cared for in the preschool room. Child A, Child B and LaRhonda Lofton stated that they have seen infants / toddlers that are cared for in the preschool room.

On August 19, 2020, God's Rising Stars Child Care Center Corp did violate child care regulations during a Close Supervision Inspection when SCCR observed eleven (11) children ages one (1) to seven (7) years of age with one (1) caregiver. Two of those children were one-years-old and were outside of the infant/toddler unit.

Based on this observation, this allegation is substantiated.

**VIOLATION(S)**

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19 CSR 30-62.112 (1)(E)

Mixed Age Groups Two Years (2) and Up. Groups composed of mixed ages of children two (2) years of age and older shall have no less than one (1) adult to ten (10) children with a maximum of four (4) two (2)-year olds. When there are more than four (4) two (2)-year olds in a mixed group, the staff/child ratio shall be no less than one (1) adult to eight (8) children.

**CONCLUSION SUMMARY**

The Section for Child Care Regulation has determined these allegations to be substantiated.

On July 6, 2020, CCFS Michelle Ruffin and CCS Tony Nurnberg conducted an unannounced inspection at God's Rising Stars Child Care Center Corp. Interviews were conducted with caregivers LaRhonda Lofton, LaShonda Lofton, Sartecia Bryant, Marie Requena and Child A and Child B. Child A, Child B and LaRhonda Lofton stated that in the mornings there are infants / toddlers in the preschool room with up to five (5) adults. LaShonda Lofton, Sartecia Bryant and Marie Requena deny that infants and

toddlers are in the preschool room.

During the inspection, CCFS Ruffin and CCS Nurnberg observed the door to the infant toddler room to have a broken latch preventing the door from remaining closed. Caregiver LaShonda Lofton stated that the door latch is broken and that she puts an infant blanket in the door to close it.

Based on these interviews and observations, there is sufficient evidence that God's Rising Stars Child Care Center Corp. did violate child care licensing regulations, therefore these allegations are substantiated.

## CORRECTIVE MEASURES

<b>CORRECTIVE MEASURE</b>		<b>COMPLETED (Y/N)</b>	<b>COMPLETED DATE</b>
All staff will sign a statement that they understand that the door to the infant / toddler unit must be closed at all times and that infants and toddlers are not allowed in the preschool area and must remain in the infant / toddler unit.		Yes	5/11/2021
<b>CORRECTIVE MEASURE</b>		<b>COMPLETED (Y/N)</b>	<b>COMPLETED DATE</b>
All staff must complete 2 hours of in person training on licensing rules and regulations provided by SCCR staff. Arrangements should be made with CCFS assigned to get this training schduled.		Yes	10/22/2020
<b>DISPOSITION</b>		<b>DISPOSITION DATE</b>	
SUBSTANTIATED		10/1/2020	
<b>APPROVING SUPERVISOR</b>			
NURNBERG, TONY A			