



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

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF
SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT
1/17/2023

DVN
002671498

FACILITY NAME

JADES PRESCHOOL AND DAYCARE LLC

FACILITY ADDRESS

6405 HIGHWAY 40 W

CITY

COLUMBIA

ZIP CODE

65202-9164

PHONE NUMBER

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COUNTY

BOONE

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

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RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(C)3.

Only constructive, age-appropriate methods of discipline shall be used to help children develop self-control and assume responsibility for their own actions.

5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(C)7.

Physical punishment including, but not limited to, spanking, slapping, shaking, biting, or pulling hair shall be prohibited.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

On January 17, 2023, the Office of Childhood (OOC) received an allegation that: On 1/16/23 at about 8:30 or 9:00am, Arianna Johnson was brought into the classroom of her own child, Child A (dob 7/26/17), because he was misbehaving. She then "popped" him in the mouth. After conducting an investigation, Compliance Inspector (CI) Michelle Honea has found this allegation to be substantiated based on the following evidence:

5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(C)7., which states the following: "Physical punishment including, but not limited to, spanking, slapping, shaking, biting, or pulling hair shall be prohibited."

AND

5 CSR 25-500.182(1)(C)3., "Only constructive, age-appropriate methods of discipline shall be used to help children develop self-control and assume responsibility for their own actions."

On January 18, 2023, Compliance Inspector (CI) Michelle Honea conducted an unannounced inspection at the facility and interviewed Sharon Sweezy, Johnna Logue, teacher Caitlin Hammond, and teacher Laurie Dyer who all stated that on January 16, 2023, Parent A (parent of Child A and also a caregiver at the facility), "popped" Child A in the face once and then in the mouth once for cursing in the classroom. Parent A was terminated immediately.

CI Honea observed the video of Parent A coming into the room, then popping Child A on the cheek, then picked up Child A, and then popped Child A on the mouth. Parent A then took Child A to the bench to sit down. CI Honea also observed the written statements about the incident, other incident reports, Child A's enrollment form, and Parent A's application for employment.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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The facility shall conduct a staff meeting to review all licensing rules and regulations regarding discipline. The facility must provide the Office of Childhood with a statement, signed by all staff (paid employees and unpaid volunteers), to indicate they understand and agree to follow those rules and regulations.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

2/27/2023

CORRECTIVE MEASURE

All staff members (paid employees or unpaid volunteers) must take the online training course titled, "Making a Difference: Protecting Health and Keeping Children Safe" available at <https://dese.mo.gov/childhood/child-care/training-info>. Verification of attendance shall be through the Toolbox report.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

3/23/2023

CORRECTIVE MEASURE

All staff members and volunteers (paid employees and paid/unpaid volunteers)

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

1/23/2023

must obtain one clock hour of approved training on Mandated Reporting. The training may be obtained from the Missouri Workshop Calendar . The training calendar can be found at <http://www.moworkshopcalendar.org/>. The local Child Care Aware agency may also assist in finding training . The Child Care Aware website can be found at <http://www.childcareaware.org/>. Verification of training completion shall be from the Open Initiative Toolbox report.

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

2/6/2023

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

CHRISCO, MARLA L