



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

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF
SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT
8/10/2023

DVN
002346376

FACILITY NAME

YOUNG MINDS LEARNING ACADEMY LLC

FACILITY ADDRESS

121 SUPERIOR RD

CITY

ST ROBERT

ZIP CODE

65584-4820

PHONE NUMBER

(573) 336-7318

COUNTY

PULASKI

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

MERTZ, CAYLIN

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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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

On August 10, 2023 the Office of Childhood received a report alleging there is one worker in the infant room while other children are sitting at tables and one other worker noted at the front desk not watching the children at the tables. After conducting an investigation, Compliance Inspector (CI) Caylin Mertz has found this allegation to be substantiated based on the following evidence and rule violations:

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 a group;"

On August 17, 2023 CI Mertz conducted an unannounced inspection at the facility. A walkthrough of the facility was conducted. CI Mertz observed Caregiver Karen Sax in the infant toddler room with six children ages six weeks old to 1 year old. Director Danielle Ice indicated she had been in ratio in that classroom but had stepped out to talk to a parent. Director Danielle understands the ratio for that classroom is 1:4.

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 licensing 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

8/17/2023

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

11/3/2023

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

FOX, ROMENA