



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

**DATE OF REPORT**  
3/29/2022

**DVN**  
002549657

**FACILITY NAME**

DELTA AREA ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY CORPORATION

**FACILITY ADDRESS**

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**CITY**

SENATH

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DUNKLIN

**ASSIGNED SPECIALIST**

SPAULDING, STEPHANIE

**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**

Compliance Inspector (CI) Stephanie Spaulding investigated the allegation that on March 28, 2022, Candice Evans pushed Child A (4-years-old) by the head. The allegation is substantiated based on the following information:

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

AND

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

On March 29, 2022, Compliance Inspector (CI) Stephane Spaulding observed video footage of March 28, 2022 with the following actions:

- Ms. Susan was kicked by Child A.
- Child A is then pushed on the head by Ms. Candice.
- Ms. Candice is first holding her arm out to protect herself from Child A three times , in which Child A falls twice.
- Then Child A is then pushed on the head by Ms. Candice.

**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**

11/23/2022

**DISPOSITION**

SUBSTANTIATED

**DISPOSITION DATE**

11/3/2022

**APPROVING SUPERVISOR**

CHRISCO, MARLA L