



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

DATE OF REPORT
2/24/2021

DVN
002527779

FACILITY NAME

LEARNING UNDER THE SON PRESCHOOL AND CHILD CARE

FACILITY ADDRESS

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CITY

GERALD

ZIP CODE

63037-2520

PHONE NUMBER

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COUNTY

FRANKLIN

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

WILMESHER, LAURA

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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19 CSR 30-62.222 (1)

The child care provider shall maintain accurate records to meet administrative requirements and to ensure knowledge of the individual needs of children and their families.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

Child Care Facility Specialist (CCFS) Laura Wilmesher conducted an investigation regarding the allegation that on February 14, 2021, the facility was out of ratio prior to 10:00 AM. After conducting the investigation, CCFS Wilmesher finds this allegation is, in part, substantiated. While CCFS Wilmesher did not obtain sufficient evidence to corroborate the facility was out of ratio, CCFS Wilmesher did obtain the following evidence of licensing rule violations which occurred at the facility related to the allegation:

19 CSR 30-62.222 (1) which states: "The child care provider shall maintain accurate records to meet administrative requirements and to ensure knowledge of the individual needs of children and their families."

On February 25, 2021, CCFS Wilmesher conducted interviews with director/board chairperson, Brenda Baumbach, and caregivers Maria Garth, Angie Schuenemeyer, and Rylee Adams. All four staff members stated that on February 24, 2021, there were three caregivers present when Brenda Baumbach left for an appointment.

On February 24, 2021, CCFS Wilmesher received a copy of the staff member's and children's attendance records from February 24, 2021, and CCFS Wilmesher noted that on February 24, 2021, Brenda Baumbach is marked as present at the facility from 4:30 AM until 5:00 PM, even though all four staff members interviewed had confirmed that Brenda Baumbach had left at some time in the morning on that day for an appointment and returned after the appointment.

On April 5, 2021, CCFS Wilmesher received an email from Brenda Baumbach in which Brenda stated: "I do fail to sign out if I am coming right back."

Therefore, CCFS Wilmesher finds that the facility is not keeping accurate attendance records for staff members by not signing out when they leave the facility.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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The provider shall create a plan that ensures that accurate attendance records are kept for all staff members (provider, all assistants, paid/unpaid volunteers), and children, each day children are present. The plan must include a statement that all staff members are to sign out anytime they are on break, or leave the premises for any reason. The plan must also be reviewed and signed by all staff members and volunteers, acknowledging that they agree to follow the plan. A copy of the plan shall be provided to the Section for Child Care Regulation, attention Lea Dixon.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

5/21/2021

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

4/23/2021

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

CLARK, ANGELA