

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

DATE OF REPORT 1/13/2021

DVN

002636571

FACILITY NAME

WESTPORT MONTESSORI, LLC

FACILITY ADDRESS

3930 BALTIMORE AVE

CITY **ZIP CODE PHONE NUMBER** COUNTY KANSAS CITY 64111-2224 (816) 753-6633 **JACKSON**

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

DUMERCY, MADELINE L

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

VIOLATION(S)

19 CSR 30-62.112 (1)

The following staff/child ratios shall be maintained on the premises at all times.

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.

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

Based on the investigation, Section for Child Care Regulations determined that Westport Montessori, LLC violated the licensing rules above.

On January 14, 2020, the reporter stated that on January 7, 2021, the center was often out of ratio. On January 14, 2021, CCFS Madeline Dumercy conducted an unannounced inspection at Westport Montessori, LLC and interviewed Director Christina Wright and Caregivers Kavanna Sharp and Jamie Tolliver. Caregiver Jamie Tolliver stated that the infant classroom was out of ratio that day while working with Caregiver Kavannah. They cared for nine infants, and Jamie said that she called for help and informed another caregiver, but the problem was not solved. On January 14, 2021, CCFS Madeline Dumercy observed in one of the preschool classroom ratios that there was one caregiver with 11 children (10 preschool children and one school-age child). Director Christina stated that the preschool classroom's school-age child should've been in another classroom and does not what happened.

Based on interviews, there is sufficient evidence that the complaint is substantiated.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

CORRECTIVE MEASURE COMPLETED DATE COMPLETED (Y/N)

The facility shall ensure that the Staff/Child Ratios are adhered to at all times. All staff members, including all paid employees and paid/unpaid volunteers, must sign a statement indicating they understand and agree to follow the Staff/Child Ratios. A copy of the signed statements shall be provided to the Section for Child Care Regulation.

> COMPLETED (Y/N) **COMPLETED DATE**

8/11/2021

Yes

CORRECTIVE MEASURE 8/11/2021 Signs shall be posted at all entrances of the rooms displaying the required Yes

staff/child ratios. Provide photo documenation.

DISPOSITION SUBSTANTIATED	DISPOSITION DATE 2/10/2021	
APPROVING SUPERVISOR		
LIMPUS, RACHEL L		