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Inspection Report

Provider Name: Small World Child Development Center	Provider Information	CLR No: L383179
Provider Address: 1012 West Shelby Street, Falmouth, KY, 41040	Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I	Capacity: 69
Owner(s): Small World Daycare, Llc		Director(s): Wolfe, Lindsey Jo

Inspection Type: Investigation	Inspection Information	Inspection No: 291473
Date Initiated: 10/03/2019 1:10 PM	Date Concluded: 10/03/2019 2:00 PM	
	No. of Children Present: 34	

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Supervision	In Compliance	

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Staffing Requirements

Not In Compliance

125 - Ratios and Group Size

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 2. Child Care Services.

(2) For an operating child-care center, minimum staff-to-child ratios and group size shall be maintained as established in the table established in this subsection.

Age of Children Ratio Maximum Group Size*

Infant

1 staff for 5 children 10

Toddler 12 to 24 months

1 staff for 6 children 12

Toddler 24 to 36 months

1 staff for 10 children 20

Preschool-age 3 to 4 years

1 staff for 12 children 24

Preschool-age 4 to 5 years

1 staff for 14 children 28

School-age 5 to 7 years

1 staff for 15 children 30

School-age 7 and older

1 staff for 25 children

(for before and after school) 30

1 staff for 20 children

(full day of care) 30

***Maximum Group Size shall be applicable only to Type I child-care centers.**

(b) The age of the youngest child in the group shall determine the:

- 1. Staff-to-child ratio; and**
- 2. Maximum group size.**

Findings:

General: Based on observation, this regulatory requirement was not met. Upon arriving at the facility at approximately 1:10 p.m., a tour was taken. The following was found:

1) Upon entry into the preschool room at approximately 1:15 p.m., 14 children were observed napping. One staff person was observed laying on the floor beside a child. There were no other staff visible in the classroom at that time. The surveyor asked the staff person the age of the youngest child and oldest child occupying the room. The staff person appeared to be unsure of the ages of the children. An additional staff person came from an adjacent room and stated the children ranged in ages of three- to five-years-old. This same staff person stated she was taking her lunch break in the adjacent room. The staff to child ratio, with the age of the youngest child being three-years-old is one staff person to 12 children. The staff to child ratio was over by two children.

2) The surveyor discovered 11 one-year-old children napping with one staff person present in the one-year-old room. During an interview with the staff person present, it was stated that an additional staff person who had been with her, went into the infant room. The surveyor went into the infant room and found one staff person with three infants. The staff person in the infant room indicated she was there because the staff person who had been in the room had to leave for an emergency, but would be back. The staff person indicated that the infant teacher had been gone for approximately 15 minutes. Therefore, this left the one staff member in the one-year-old room with a staff to child ratio of one to 11, when the regulation stipulates the ratio should be no more than one to six. The staff to child ratio in this room was over by five children. The surveyor left the infant room and went to speak with the staff person in charge.

At approximately 1:38 p.m., the surveyor went back to the one-year-old room. The same staff person observed previously was still alone in the room with 11 one-year-old children. The staff person stated the other staff member who was supposed to be with her in the room had stepped into the infant room. The surveyor went into the infant room and observed two staff members and three infants. One of the staff was observed in the infant room during the previous walk through. An interview with the staff person who previously left the infant room found she had left the facility for her break and went to McDonalds to get food.

Director Requirements

Not In Compliance

350 - Health, Safety, Comfort

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 10. Director Requirements and Responsibilities.

(1) A director shall:

(I) Assure the health, safety, and comfort of each child;

Findings:

General: Based on observation and interview, this regulatory requirement was not met. Interviews with staff found that on 9/13/19, a cat came onto the smaller playground where a group of two-year-old children were playing. It was stated that the staff person outside with the children made attempts to get the cat away from the children. The staff person stated after shooing the cat away from the children, she turned briefly to help a child go down the slide. The staff person heard a child crying and turned to see the cat near one of the children. The staff person went to the child and found scratches on the child's arm. Interviews with staff also found that cats frequently enter the playground. An observation of the outdoor play area found both playgrounds are enclosed by a black, rod iron fence with spaces between each post that measure approximately six inches apart. An interview with the staff person in charge found that the playgrounds had been enclosed previously with a chain link fence.

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Premises

Not In Compliance

620 - Prohibited Bodies of Water

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements.

(27) Bodies of water that shall not be utilized include:

- (a) Portable wading pools;**
- (b) Natural bodies of water; and**
- (c) Unfiltered, nondisinfected containers.**

Findings:

General: Based on observation, this regulatory requirement was not met. An inspection of the larger playground found a deflated blow up portable wading pool. During an interview with staff person who toured the outdoor play area with the surveyor, it was found that the wading pool had been used for water play during the summer.

Outdoor Play Area

Not In Compliance

750 - Playground Conditions

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements.

(20) An outdoor play area shall be:

- (d) Safe from foreseeable hazard;**
- (e) Well drained;**
- (f) Well maintained;**
- (g) In good repair; and**
- (h) Visible to staff at all times.**

Findings:

General: Based on observation, this regulatory requirement was not met. An inspection of the playground used by the younger children found the following:

- 1) A metal ladder on its side. The ladder had been placed against the brick wall at the back of the building. The ladder is in the space used by the children and is accessible to the children.
- 2) A green water hose was observed hanging from a white piece of PVC pipe that was attached to the brick portion of the back of the building. A portion of the water hose was not secured and laid in a pile on the concrete beneath the pipe. An additional green water hose was observed on a concrete landing with steps. The water hose was in a pile on the landing. A portion of the hose was hanging off the edge of the landing and into the play area used by the children.
- 3) A door that leads out the back of the facility is connected to the landing. Approximately six to eight feet from the landing was an overturned wheelbarrow and another water hose. These items were on a concrete pad that runs along the back of the building. This is also in the space used by the children.
- 4) An orange extension cord was observed hanging off the edge of a wooden deck that leads from the inside of the building out to the playground. This cord was accessible to the children.
- 5) Several pieces white PVC pipe were observed in a pile on the ground inside the fence along the bottom.
- 6) A blue and gray boat-shaped piece of equipment was observed positioned against the portion of the fence that separates the two playgrounds. Leaves, water and other debris were observed in the hull of the boat.

The following was found on the playground used by the older children:

- 1) A crawl space leading under the building was observed. A window screen had been placed over the opening of the crawl space. The screen was not secured to the building and could be easily moved, making the crawl space accessible to the children.
- 2) Several large wooden spools used to store copper wire and rope and other items were observed in various areas on the playground. Tick-tack-toe boards had been drawn on the tops of some of the spools. The spools' tops and edges were splintered and in disrepair.

755 - Protective Surface

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements.

(21) A protective surface shall:

- (a) Be provided for outdoor play equipment used to:**
 - 1. Climb;**
 - 2. Swing; and**
 - 3. Slide; and**
- (b) Have a fall zone equal to the height of the equipment.**

Findings:

General: Based on observation, this regulatory requirement was not met.

An inspection of the outdoor play area found the following:

- 1) On the playground used for the older children, there were two large red, wooden climbing structures. Each of these structures contained slides and swings. The surfacing under these pieces of equipment is dirt with a few patches of grass.
- 2) On the playground used for the younger children, there was a metal, yellow and blue hexagon-shaped climber that had been placed on a grass surface. There was a red wooden frame that contained four infant/toddler swings. Dirt and patches of grass is the surfacing beneath this piece of equipment. There were two tall plastic climbers that contained slides and steps that had been placed on dirt with patches of grass. A small toddler sized slide was also observed on the same type of surfacing.

Signature of
Provider/Representative

Title

Date