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Inspection Report

Provider Information

Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I

Provider Address: 1150 North Bardstown Road, Mt. Washington, KY, 40047

Owner(s): Bright Beginners Montessori, Inc.

Inspection Information

Inspection Type: Investigation

Date Initiated: 01/04/2022 6:45 AM

Date Concluded: 01/10/2022 3:20 PM

No. of Children Present: 21

Capacity: 99

CLR No: 1383206

Inspection No: 319902

Director(s): Madanatake, Kamalika

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Background Checks

In Compliance

Supervision

Not In Compliance

90 - Children Supervised Not In Compliance

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

(3)(a) Each center shall maintain a child-care program that assures each child shall be:

- 1. Provided with adequate supervision at all times by a qualified staff person who ensures the child is:
- a. Within scope of vision and range of voice; or
- b. For a school-age child, within scope of vision or range of voice;

Findings:

General: Observation of the PreK room on 1/10/2022 revealed one (1) staff member with ten (10) preschool children. One (1) of the children was observed returning to the room, unsupervised, from the adjoining room. Interview with the staff member revealed the child was returning from the restroom. Observation revealed the restroom was located down a hall and around a corner from the adjoining classroom, which was not occupied at the time. When asked if the children are permitted to go to the restroom unsupervised, the staff member stated that a staff member generally stands near the door and supervises the children. However, the staff member acknowledged that no staff member was supervising the aforementioned child when he was out of the classroom.



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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

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1 staff for 12 children 24

Preschool-age 4 to 5 years 1 staff for 14 children 28

School-age 5 to 7 years

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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 and interview, the child care center failed to maintain minimum staff to child ratios in accordance with regulatory standards. On 1/4/2022, one (1) staff member was the sole caregiver with six (6) children in the Infant room; the youngest child was an infant. Therefore, the minimum staff to child ratio was exceeded by one (1) child. In interview, another staff member stated that she was the sole supervising staff member with eleven (11) children on 1/3/2022. The youngest child in the group was two (2) years old; therefore, exceeding the minimum staff to child ratio by one (1) child. Observation on 1/10/2022 revealed one (1) staff member with eight (8) children in the Twos' room. Two (2) of the children were one (1) year old. Therefore, the minimum staff to child ratio was exceeded by two (2) children.

General Administration

Not In Compliance

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 13. Reports.

220 - Reports to Cabinet

- (1) The following shall be reported to the cabinet or designee and other agencies specified in this section within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of discovery:
- (a) Communicable disease, which shall also be reported to the local health department pursuant to KRS 214.010;
- (b) An accident or injury to a child that requires medical care initiated by the child-care center or the child's parent;
- (c) An incident that results in legal action by or against the child-care center that:
- 1. Affects a child or staff person; or
- 2. Includes the center's discontinuation or disqualification from a governmental assistance program due to fraud, abuse, or criminal conviction related to that program;
- (d) An incident involving fire or other emergency, including a vehicular accident when the center is transporting a child receiving child care services:
- (e) A report of child abuse or neglect that:
- 1. Has been accepted by the cabinet in accordance with 922 KAR 1:330; and
- 2. Names a director, employee, volunteer, or person with supervisory or disciplinary control over, or having unsupervised contact with, a child in care as the alleged perpetrator; or
- (f) An individual specified in Section 6(4) of this administrative regulation meeting a disqualifying criterion or background check result pursuant to 922 KAR 2:280.

Findings:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, the child care center failed to report to the cabinet an incident that resulted in medical attention and treatment for a three-year-old child. A child sprayed another child in the eye with a bleach and water solution. The child's parent sought medical treatment for the child whose eye was sprayed. Interviews confirmed that the identified director knew that the child received medical treatment as a result of the incident.

225 - Licensee Responsibility

922 KAR 2:090. Section 8. General.

Not In Compliance

- (1) A licensee shall:
- (a) Be responsible for the operation of the child-care center pursuant to this administrative regulation, 922 KAR 2:120, and 922 KAR 2:280; and
- (b) Protect and assure the health, safety, and comfort of each child.

Findings

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, the health, safety and comfort of a child was jeopardized when a staff member sat a bottle of bleach and water down, making it accessible to a child. A child picked up the bottle and sprayed the bleach solution in another child's eye.



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Employee Records

405 - TB Verification Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 11. Staff Requirements.

- (1) Child-care center staff:
- (b) Shall provide, prior to employment and every two (2) years thereafter:
- 1. A statement from a health professional that the individual is free of active tuberculosis; or
- 2. A copy of negative tuberculin results.

Findings:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, the file for a staff member hired on 12/27/2021 failed to contain a written statement from a health professional verifying that the individual was free of active tuberculosis (TB). The staff in charge acknowledged the lack of TB documentation for the aforementioned staff member.

410 - CPR/First Aid Coverage

Not In Compliance

Not In Compliance

- 922 KAR 2:090. Section 11. Staff Requirements.
- (3) For a child-care center licensed for infant, toddler, or preschool-age children, at least one (1) person on duty and present with the children shall be currently certified by a cabinet-approved training agency in the following skills:
- (a) Infant and child cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and
- (b) Infant and child first aid.
- (4) For a child-care center licensed for school-age children, at least one (1) person on duty and present with the children shall be currently certified by a cabinet-approved training agency in the following skills:
- (a) Adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and
- (b) First aid
- (5) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and first aid training shall be in addition to the fifteen (15) clock hours requirement in subsection (16) of this section.

Findings:

General: Based on observation, interview and review of documentation, no staff member who was present and caring for children during the onset of the inspection on 1/4/2022 was certified by a cabinet approved source in First Aid or Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation.

Premises Not In Compliance

565 - Inaccessible Items Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 3. General Requirements.

- (7) The following shall be inaccessible to a child in care:
- (a) Toxic cleaning supplies, poisons, and insecticides;
- (b) Matches, cigarettes, lighters, and flammable liquids; and
- (c) Personal belongings and medications of staff.

Findings:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, a bottle containing a bleach and water solution was accessible to preschool children, resulting in a child spraying another preschool child in the eye.

Hygienic Practices

Not In Compliance
Not In Compliance

700 - Child Personal Care/Handwashing

922 KAR 2:120. Section 3. General Requirements.

- (4) A child shall:
- (a) Be helped with personal care and cleanliness based upon his or her developmental skills;
- (b) Except as established in paragraph (c) of this subsection, wash his or her hands with liquid soap and warm running water:
- 1. a. Upon arrival at the center; or
- b. Within thirty (30) minutes of arrival for school-age children;
- 2. Before and after eating or handling food;
- 3. After toileting or diaper change;
- 4. After handling animals;
- 5. After touching an item or an area of the body soiled with body fluids or wastes; and
- 6. After outdoor or indoor play time; and
- (c) Use hand sanitizer or hand-sanitizing wipes if liquid soap and warm running water are not available in accordance with paragraph (b) of this subsection. The child shall wash the child's hands as soon as practicable once liquid soap and warm running water are available.

Findings:

General: Based on observation, on 1/4/2022, a child entered into the Pre K room and was immediately directed by the supervising staff member to sit at the table so he/she could be served breakfast. The staff member then served the child breakfast without directing or assisting the child in washing his/her hands.



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705 - Staff Hygiene/Handwashing

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 3. General Requirements.

- (5) Staff shall:
- (a) Maintain personal cleanliness;
- (b) Conform to hygienic practices while on duty;
- (c) Except as established in paragraph (d) of this subsection, wash their hands with liquid soap and running water:
- 1. Upon arrival at the center;
- 2. After toileting or assisting a child in toileting;
- 3. Before and after diapering each child;
- 4. After wiping or blowing a child's or own nose;
- 5. After handling animals;
- 6. After caring for a sick child;
- 7. Before and after feeding a child or eating;
- 8. Before dispensing medication;
- 9. After smoking or vaping; and
- 10. If possible, before administering first aid; and
- (d) Use hand sanitizer or hand-sanitizing wipes if liquid soap and warm running water are not available in accordance with paragraph (c) of this subsection. The staff shall wash the staff's hands as soon as practicable once liquid soap and warm running water are available.

Findings:

General: Based on observation on 1/4/2022, a staff member in the Pre K classroom served a child breakfast without washing her hands first. The staff member had previously been moving around the classroom room as she supervised children who were playing in the room.

Written Documentation

Not In Compliance

1275 - Staff Schedule Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 9. Records.

- (1) A child-care center shall maintain:
- (d) A written schedule of staff working hours;

Findings:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, the posted and presented staff schedule was no longer current because it included schedules for three (3) staff members who are no longer employed by the center.

