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Inspection Report

Provider Name: Little Treehouse Learning Center	Provider Information	CLR No: L383370
Provider Address: 115 Kennedy Drive, Ft. Wright, KY, 41011	Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I	Capacity: 60
Owner(s): Little Treehouse Learning Center Llc		Director(s): Dahms, Sara Elaine

Inspection Type: Renewal Application	Inspection Information	Inspection No: 278781
Date Initiated: 04/09/2019 10:15 AM	Date Concluded: 04/09/2019 12:02 PM	
	No. of Children Present: 47	

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Background Checks	Not In Compliance
5 - Background check/left alone/dismissed/relocated	Not In Compliance
<p>922 KAR 2:280. Section 3. Implementation and Enforcement.</p> <p>(1) A person who is a child care staff member prior to January 1, 2018, shall submit to and complete background checks in accordance with this administrative regulation no later than September 30, 2018.</p> <p>(2) A child care staff member hired on or after April 1, 2018, shall:</p> <p>(a) Have completed the background checks required in accordance with this administrative regulation and been found to have no disqualifying offense prior to becoming a child care staff member; or</p> <p>(b) 1. Have submitted to the background checks required in accordance with this administrative regulation;</p> <p>2. Not be left unsupervised with a child in care pending the completion of the background checks in accordance with this administrative regulation; and</p> <p>3. Be dismissed or relocated from the residence if the person is found to have a disqualifying background check result.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <p>General: Based on observation and review of documentation, and the Kentucky National Background Check Service (KARES), the surveyor found a staff person who was hired on 3/4/19 was not fingerprinted until 3/12/19.</p>	
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, the child-care center failed to maintain staff-to-child ratios. The surveyor entered the infant classroom at 10:15 a.m. and observed the director and seven (7) infants ages three to eleven (3-11) months. The director stated that a staff person had "just stepped out" to go to the restroom. The director stated this was not a typical practice. At 10:30 a.m., the surveyor observed a person in the kitchen talking on a cell phone. Upon seeing the surveyor, she exited the kitchen and entered the infant classroom. This person remained in the infant classroom with the director. In short, the infant classroom was over ratio by two (2) infants for fifteen (15) minutes.

General Administration

In Compliance

Director Requirements

Not In Compliance

345 - Staff Evaluation

Not In Compliance

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

(1) A director shall:

(j) Assess each staff person's interaction with children in care and classroom performance through an annual written performance evaluation;

Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation, the surveyor found one (1) staff person hired on 2/16/18 did not have an annual evaluation on file.

350 - Health, Safety, Comfort

Not In Compliance

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

(1) A director shall:

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

Findings:

Based on observation, the surveyor found the door to the kitchen open and the door to the water heater/utility closet open making equipment and miscellaneous items accessible. It is important to note that both areas are in the general traffic pattern of the children in care. Children pass both areas to go to the restroom and to enter and exit the two-year-old and one-year-old classrooms. Additionally, the surveyor observed a cell phone charger and speaker cord on top of the sensory table and within reach of the children in care in the two-year-old classroom.

Employee Records

Not In Compliance

395 - 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 review of documentation, the surveyor found one (1) staff person hired on 2/25/15 had TB documentation on file that was no longer current as of 12/22/18.

Programming

In Compliance

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Premises

Not In Compliance

540 - Premises Requirements

Not In Compliance

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

- (1) The premises shall be:
 - (a) Suitable for the purpose intended;
 - (b) Kept clean and in good repair;

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found an accumulation of dust on an air return vent in the hallway and an accumulation of dust on an exhaust fan in the restroom.

580 - Floors, Walls, Ceilings

Not In Compliance

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

- (9) Floors, walls, and ceilings shall be smooth, in good repair, and constructed to be easily cleaned.

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found two (2) water stained ceiling tiles located in the hallway and three (3) water stained ceiling tiles located in the restroom.

645 - Sink

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 10. Toilet, Diapering, and Toiletry Requirements.

- (3) A sink shall be:
 - (a) Located in or immediately adjacent to toilet rooms;
 - (b) Equipped with hot and cold running water that allows for hand washing;
 - (c) Equipped with hot water at a minimum temperature of ninety (90) degrees Fahrenheit and a maximum of 120 degrees Fahrenheit;
 - (d) Equipped with liquid soap;
 - (e) Equipped with hand-drying blower or single use disposable hand drying material;
 - (f) Equipped with an easily cleanable waste receptacle; and
 - (g) Immediately adjacent to a changing area used for infants and toddlers.

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found the hand-washing sink was not immediately adjacent to the diapering area located in the two-year-old classroom. The diapering area was positioned against a wall and several feet across from the hand-washing sink.

650 - Toilet

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 10. Toilet, Diapering, and Toiletry Requirements.

- (4) Each toilet shall:
 - (a) Be kept in clean condition;
 - (b) Be kept in good repair;
 - (c) Be in a lighted room; and
 - (d) Have ventilation to outside air.

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found a toilet in the restroom located in the two-year-old classroom in need of cleaning and disinfecting. The surveyor noted a build-up of black residue within the toilet and urine stains underneath the toilet lid.

Hygienic Practices

Not In Compliance

685 - Diaper Changing Area/Surface

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 10. Toilet, Diapering, and Toiletry Requirements.

- (10) When a child is diapered, the child shall:
 - (b) Be placed on a surface that is:
 1. Clean;
 2. Padded;
 3. Free of holes, rips, tears, or other damage;
 4. Nonabsorbent;
 5. Easily cleaned; and
 6. Free of any items not used for diaper changing.

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found miscellaneous debris stuck to the bottom surfaces of diapering pads located in the one-year-old and two-year-old classrooms.

First Aid/Medication

In Compliance

Outdoor Play Area

In Compliance

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Equipment

Not In Compliance

815 - Toys/Furniture

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 11. Toys and Furnishings.

(1) All toys and furniture contacted by a child shall be:

- (a) Kept clean and in good repair; and**
- (b) Free of peeling, flaking, or chalking paint.**

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found a pink plastic wading pool utilized to cover a sensory table in the two-year-old classroom. The surveyor noted dirt and grime around the brim of the pool.

Transportation

Not Applicable

Food Service/Food Program

In Compliance

Food Service

In Compliance

Children's Records

In Compliance

Written Documentation

Not In Compliance

1170 - Professional Development

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 9. Records.

(1) A child-care center shall maintain:

- (f) A written annual plan for child-care staff professional development;**

Findings:

General: Based on observation and review of documentation, the surveyor found two (2) staff hired on 2/24/15 and 2/25/15 did not have current professional development plans on file.

Posted Documentation

Not In Compliance

1210 - Disaster Course of Action

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 9. Records.

(1) A child-care center shall maintain:

- (j) A written plan and diagram outlining the course of action in the event of a natural or manmade disaster, posted in a prominent place;**

Findings:

Based on review of documentation, the surveyor noted the diagram of the child-care center was posted; however, there was no written plan posted outlining the course of action in the even of a fire, earthquake or tornado.

Animals

Not Applicable

Signature of Provider/Representative

Title

Date