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Inspection Report

Provider Information

Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I

Provider Address: 19 Wainscott Avenue, Winchester, KY, 40391

Owner(s): Auntie's Academy, Llc

Capacity: 95(Bldg 1: 142) Director(s): Gay, Felicia Shacole

CLR No: 1383530

Inspection No: 290577

Inspection Information

Inspection Type: Investigation

Provider Name: Auntie's Academy

Date Initiated: 07/23/2019 11:00 AM

Date Concluded: 07/23/2019 12:00 PM

No. of Children Present: 84

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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, there were nineteen (19) three to four (3-4) year old children left alone with one staff person. Approximately five minutes later a second staff entered



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General Administration

Not In Compliance

140 - Zoning Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 6. License Issuance.

- (8) To qualify for a preliminary license, or maintain a regular license, a child-care center shall:
- (a) Provide written documentation from the local authority showing compliance with local zoning requirements;

Findings:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, during an investigation conducted on July 23, 2019 it was found that Auntie's Academy was operating at 1394 West Lexington Avenue, Winchester. There was no evidence of zoning approval for the new location.

145 - Fire Marshal Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 6. License Issuance.

- (8) To qualify for a preliminary license, or maintain a regular license, a child-care center shall:
- (b) Be approved by the Office of the State Fire Marshal or designee;

Findings:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, during an investigation conducted on July 23, 2019 it was found that Auntie's Academy was operating at 1394 West Lexington Avenue, Winchester. There was no evidence of Fire Marshal approval for the new location.

255 - Notification of Changes Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 12. Reports.

(4)(a) Written notification of the following shall be:

- 1. Made to the cabinet, in writing, to allow for approval before implementation:
- a. Change of ownership;
- b. Change of location;
- c. Increase in capacity;
- d. Change in hours of operation;
- e. Change of services in the following categories:
- (i) Infant;
- (ii) Toddler;
- (iii) Preschool-age;
- (iv) School-age;
- (v) Nontraditional hours; or
- (vi) Transportation; or
- f. Addition to or reduction of the square footage of a child-care center's premises;

Findings:

General: Based on observation, interview and review of documentation, on June 25, 2019 DRCC was notified by Auntie's Academy of a temporary closure until licensing requirements were met and they were approved to operate at their new location. The notification stated that the center planned to be approved at the new location early August 2019. An investigation conducted on July 23, 2019 found the new location (1394 West Lexington Avenue, Winchester) opened the last week of June as what the owner referred to as a "private care center". Interview and record review found written agreements/waivers between staff and families for staff to provide childcare at 'the new location'. However, this arrangement was organized by the owner of Auntie's Academy. Two separate letters to parents referenced staff providing private childcare at the new location. A letter sent to parents June 14, 2019 directed any parents interested in staff providing private care to contact the center.

At the time of the inspection on July 23, 2019 there were thirty-eight (38) children in attendance at the new location with ages ranging from infant through school-age. Sign-in sheets were available for the month of July and the last week of June. A review of DRCC records found that the owner had not submitted a request for approval or received approval to operate at the new location.



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