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# **Inspection Report**

**Provider Information** 

Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I

Provider Address: 222 Lexington Street, Lancaster, KY, 40444

Owner(s): The Other Mother LLC

Provider Name: The Other Mother

CLR No: L383754
Capacity: 23(Bldg 1: 40)
Director(s): Sowder, Susan Bailey

Inspection No: 247905

**Inspection Information** 

Inspection Type: Renewal Application

Date Initiated: 02/18/2019 1:35 PM

Date Concluded: 02/18/2019 3:00 PM

No. of Children Present: 13

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**Background Checks** 

Supervision

**Staffing Requirements** 

In Compliance

**Not In Compliance** 

In Compliance

Not In Compliance

# 125 - Ratios and Group Size

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:

Based on observation and interview upon arriving at the center, the surveyor found that the Boy's Playroom was over ratio by one (1) child upon. There was one (1) staff member supervising thirteen (13) children between the ages of three-years-old and seven-years-old. A second staff member was present at the center; however, they were cleaning the dining area in the back of the center. Upon interview, staff confirmed that there were thirteen (13) children present in the classroom.

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#### **General Administration**

**Director Requirements** 

In Compliance

**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 and interview, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. A staff file (DOH: 11/2/17) presented for review did not contain documentation of an annual staff evaluation.
- 2. A staff file (DOH: 11/2/17) presented for review did not contain documentation of an annual staff evaluation.
- 3. A staff file (DOH: 11/2/17) presented for review did not contain documentation of an annual staff evaluation.

Upon interview, staff stated they were not aware that an annual evaluation needed to be completed.

#### **Employee Records**

In Compliance

#### **Programming**

Not In Compliance
Not In Compliance

#### 420 - Program of Activities Followed

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

- (4) The child-care center shall provide a daily planned program:
- (a) Posted in writing in a conspicuous location with each age group and followed;
- (b) Of activities that are individualized and developmentally appropriate for each child served;
- (c) That provides experience to promote the individual child's physical, emotional, social, and intellectual growth and well-being; and
- (d) Unless the child-care center is a before- or after-school program that operates part day or less, that offers a variety of creative activities including:
- 1. Art or music;
- 2. Math or numbers;
- 3. Dramatic play;
- 4. Stories and books;
- 5. Science or nature;
- 6. Block building or stacking;
- 7. Tactile or sensory activity;
- 8. Multi-cultural exposure;
- 9. Indoor or outdoor play in which a child makes use of both small and large muscles;
- 10. A balance of active and quiet play, including group and individual activity;
- 11. An opportunity for a child to:
- a. Have some free choice of activities;
- b. If desired, play apart from the group at times;

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation and interview, the surveyor found that there were no lesson plans posted or available for review. Upon interview, staff confirmed that they did not have a current lesson plan for the preschool or school age children.

Premises Not In Compliance

#### 520 - 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 observation and interview, the surveyor found a can of Glade Air Freshener, Lysol Wipes, and a can of hairspray were located on the bottom shelf of an unlocked cabinet in the boy's restroom. There was a safety lock on the cabinet but it had been left unlatched; therefore, the items were accessible to the children. Staff reported that they had recently retrieved some Lysol wipes from the cabinet and left it unlocked.

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# 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 and interview, the following were found:

- 1. The window sills located throughout the center including in the Boy's Playroom, Girl's Playroom, and Dining area were soiled with dead bugs, a thick coating of dust, and cobwebs.
- 2. The paint on the window sills throughout the center was chipping and falling into the floors.
- 3. There were cobwebs across the top of the doorway in the Girl's Playroom.

Staff reported that the classrooms are cleaned weekly but the Girl's Playroom is not used very often.

# 565 - 35 Square Feet per Child

**Not In Compliance** 

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

(6) Exclusive of the kitchen, bathroom, hallway, and storage area, there shall be a minimum of thirty-five (35) square feet of space per child.

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation and interview, the surveyor found that there were thirteen (13) children present and sleeping in the Boy's Playroom which only measures for a maximum capacity of nine (9) children. The classroom capacity was exceeded by four (4) children; therefore, there was not thirty-five (35) square feet of space available per child. Staff stated they did not realize they could only have nine (9) children in the classroom at a time.

#### **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 and interview, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. There was a green shower mat laying over the top of the diaper changing mat; therefore, the diapering area was not free of items not necessary for changing a child's diaper.
- 2. The diaper changing mat and table underneath the diaper changing mat were soiled with dirt and debris.

Staff stated that the diaper changing area is not used often as they do not have any children currently in diapers.

#### First Aid/Medication

In Compliance

**Outdoor Play Area** 

Not In Compliance
Not In Compliance

# 745 - Playground Clean 922 KAR 2:120. Section 4. Premises Requirements.

#### (20) An outdoor play area shall be:

- (c) Free from:
- 1. Litter:
- 2. Glass;
- 3. Rubbish; and
- 4. Flammable materials;

# Findings:

General: Based on observation and interview, the surveyor found that there was a significant amount of leaves scattered around the playground and piled up against the door and side of the center. The leaves present a fire hazard and safety risk for the children. Staff reported that they have not been able to utilize the playground for a while due to the weather.

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# 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 and interview, the surveyor found that the mulch protective surface around the swing set and climbing equipment was depleted revealing the black liner beneath it. Staff stated they are aware that new mulch is needed for the playground.

Equipment Not In Compliance

# 770 - Play Equipment Not In Compliance

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

- (24) Supports for climbing apparatus and large equipment shall be securely fastened to the ground.
- (25) Crawl spaces, such as tunnels, shall be short and wide enough to permit access by adults.
- (26) A sandbox shall be:
- (a) Constructed to allow for drainage;
- (b) Covered when not in use;
- (c) Kept clean; and
- (d) Checked for vermin prior to use.

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation and interview, the surveyor found that the sandbox located on the playground was not covered while not in use thus, the sand was wet and contained leaves/debri. Staff stated that they have not been able to utilize the playground in a while due to the weather.

#### 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 and interview, the following were found:

- 1. The white shelf located by the restroom door in the Girl's Playroom was soiled with a thick coating of black dust.
- 2. The dollhouse by the entry door in the Girl's Playroom was soiled with a thick coating of black dust.
- 3. The play kitchen located in the Girl's Playroom was soiled with a thick coating of black dust.

Staff stated that the Girl's Playroom is not utilized very often but when in use, it gets cleaned weekly.

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

- (2) Indoor and outdoor equipment shall:
- (a) Be clean, safe, and in good repair;

820 - Indoor/Outdoor Equipment

- (b) Meet the physical, developmental needs, and interests of children of different age groups;
- (c) Be free from sharp points or corners, splinters, protruding nails or bolts, loose or rusty parts, hazardous small parts, lead-based paint, poisonous material, and flaking or chalking paint; and
- (d) Be designed to guard against entrapment or situations that may cause strangulation.

#### Findings:

General: Based on observation and interview, the following were found:

- 1. One (1) Little Tykes picnic table located on the playground was cracked and broken on top exposing sharp points and edges.
- 2. One (1) trike located on the playground had a cracked/broken plastic basket attached to it that exposed the children to sharp points/edges.

Staff stated that the playground has not been utilized in a while due to the weather.

Transportation

Not Applicable

**Not In Compliance** 

Food Service/Food Program

In Compliance

Food Service

In Compliance

# **Inspection Report Children's Records Not In Compliance** 1140 - Enrollment Information **Not In Compliance** 922 KAR 2:090. Section 9. Records.

- (1) A child-care center shall maintain:
- (b) A written record for each child:
- 1. Completed and signed by the child's parent;
- 2. Retained on file on the first day the child attends the child-care center; and
- a. Identifying information about the child, which includes, at a minimum, the child's name, address, and date of birth;
- b. Contact information to enable a person in charge to contact the child's:
- (i) Parent at the parent's home or place of employment;
- (ii) Family physician; and
- (iii) Preferred hospital;
- c. The name of each person who is designated in writing to pick-up the child;
- d. The child's general health status and medical history including, if applicable:
- (ii) Restriction on the child's participation in activities with specific instructions from the child's parent or health professional; and
- (iii) Permission from the parent for third-party professional services in the child-care center;
- e. The name and phone number of each person to be contacted in an emergency involving or impacting the child;
- f. Authorization by the parent for the child-care center to seek emergency medical care for the child in the parent's absence;

#### Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation and interview, the following were found:

- 1. A child's file (DOE: 10/15/18) presented for review did not contain the preferred hospial name or contact information.
- 2. A child's file (DOE: 4/2/18) presented for review did not contain the preferred hospital name or contact information.

Upon interview, staff were not aware that the information was missing from the files.

**Written Documentation Not In Compliance** 

1150 - Evacuation Plan Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:090. Section 5. Evacuation Plan.

(1) A licensed child-care center shall have a written evacuation plan in the event of a fire, natural disaster, or other threatening situation that may pose a health or safety hazard for a child in care in accordance with KRS 199.895 and 42 U.S.C. 9858c(c)(2)(U).

General: Based on review of documentation and interview, the surveyor was presented with an emergency preparedness plan that was last submitted to emergency management and reviewed on 9/27/17; therefore, the plan had not been reviewed or updated for the 2018 calendar year. Staff stated they were not aware that the plan needed to be reviewed or updated annually.

> **Posted Documentation** In Compliance **Animals** In Compliance

Signature of Provider/Representative