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Inspection Report

Provider Information

Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I

Provider Address: 2801 Us Highway 25e, Suite 100, Middlesboro, KY, 40965

Owner(s): Smart Start Early Learning Academy, LLC

CLR No: 1 383861

Capacity: 79

Director(s): Rudd, Taylor Leigh

Inspection Information

Inspection Type: Renewal Application Date Initiated: 03/03/2021 11:15 AM

Provider Name: Smart Start Early Learning Academy

Date Concluded: 03/03/2021 1:45 PM

No. of Children Present: 67

Inspection No: 305151

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Background Checks Supervision Staffing Requirements General Administration

Director Requirements In Compliance **Not In Compliance**

Employee Records

Not In Compliance 390 - Educational Requirements

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

- (1) Child-care center staff:
- (a) Hired after January 1, 2009, who have supervisory power over a minor and are not enrolled in secondary education, shall have a:
- 1. High school diploma:
- 2. GED or qualifying documentation from a comparable educational entity; or
- 3. Commonwealth Child Care Credential as described in 922 KAR 2:250;

Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. A staff's (DOH: 01/13/20) file did not contain verification of a High School Diploma, GED or Commonwealth Child Care Credential.
- 2. A staff's (DOH: 12/07/20) file did not contain verification of a High School Diploma, GED or Commonwealth Child Care Credential.

Through interview with staff-in-charge, the surveyor learned that the educational verification was not available for review for the staff mentioned.

Programming

In Compliance

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Premises

Not In Compliance

Not In Compliance 520 - Inaccessible Items

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, the surveyor found bottles of master blaster, power spray, and disinfectant spray in an unlocked cabinet below the sink located in the Caterpillars Classroom. The items were accessible and within reach of the children.

Not In Compliance

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

(1) The premises shall be:

540 - Premises Requirements

- (a) Suitable for the purpose intended;
- (b) Kept clean and in good repair;

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. A round blue rug in the Bookworms Classroom contained debris; therefore, the rug was not kept clean.
- 2. A square rug in the Fireflies Classroom contained stains and debris; therefore, the rug was not kept clean.
- 3. A blue square rug and two (2) round blue rugs in the Butterflies Classroom contained debris; therefore, the rugs were not kept clean.

640 - Toilet Room **Not In Compliance**

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

- (2) A toilet room shall:
- (a) 1. Be provided for each gender; or
- 2. A plan shall be implemented to use the same toilet room at separate times;
- (b) Have a supply of toilet paper; and
- (c) Be cleaned and disinfected daily.

Findings:

General: Based on observation, the surveyor found toilet paper located on the floor of the restroom located in the Fireflies Classroom.

Hygienic Practices

Not In Compliance

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:

685 - Diaper Changing Area/Surface

- 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 stains and debris on the diaper changing table underneath the diaper changing pad located in the Wiggleworms Classroom; therefore, the diaper changing surface was not kept clean.

First Aid/Medication

In Compliance

Outdoor Play Area

In Compliance

Equipment

In Compliance

Transportation

In Compliance In Compliance

Food Service/Food Program

Not In Compliance

Food Service

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 8. Kitchen Requirements.

(2) A child-care center required to have a food service permit shall be in compliance with 902 KAR 45:005 and this administrative regulation.

Findings:

1015 - Food Service Permit

General: Based on review of documentation, the surveyor was presented with a food service permit with an expiration date of 12/31/20. Through interview with staff-in-charge, the surveyor learned that the new food service permit has not yet been received in the mail.



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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
- 3. To contain:
- 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, the surveyor found that a child's (DOE: 06/01/20) file did not contain a contact telephone number for the child's preferred hospital.

Written Documentation

Not In Compliance Not In Compliance

1170 - Professional Development

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 review of documentation, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. A staff's (DOH: 01/13/20) file contained a professional development plan dated for 02/14/20; therefore, the plan was not completed annually.
- 2. A staff's (DOH: 12/06/18) file contained a professional development plan dated for 02/13/18; therefore, the plan was not completed annually.
- 3. A staff's (DOH: 02/22/19) file contained a professional development plan dated for 02/02/20; therefore, the plan was not completed annually.
- 4. A staff's (DOH: 01/13/20) file contained a professional development plan dated for 02/10/20; therefore, the plan was not completed annually.

Through interview with staff-in-charge, the surveyor learned that up-to-date annual professional development plans were not available for review for the staff mentioned.

Posted Documentation

In Compliance

Animals

In Compliance

Emergency Regulation

Not In Compliance

1260 - Emergency Regulation

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:410E. Emergency Regulation.

Due to the current declared public health emergency caused by the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), licensed child care centers must operate under Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and public health guidelines, as mandated by 922 KAR 2:410E, to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Findings:

General: Based on review of documentation, the surveyor found the following:

- 1. A staff's (DOH: 01/21/21) file did not contain a completed Criminal Records Background Check. The staff file contained an original Child Abuse/Neglect Background Check only, dated for 02/23/21. During interview, staff-in-charge stated that the staff member has not worked alone with children. The surveyor did not observe the staff member working alone with children
- 2. A staff's (DOH: 02/17/21) file did not contain a completed Child Abuse/Neglect Background Check. The staff file contained an original Criminal Records Background Check only, dated for 02/22/21. During interview, staff-in-charge stated that the staff member has not worked alone with children. The surveyor did not observe the staff member working alone
- 3. A staff's (DOH: 02/11/21) file did not contain a completed Child Abuse/Neglect Background Check. The staff file contained an original Criminal Records Background Check only, dated for 02/19/21. During interview, staff-in-charge stated that the staff member has not worked alone with children. The surveyor did not observe the staff member working alone

Title

Based on review of the Kentucky National Background Check Service, the staff mentioned did not have a completed background check.

