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Inspection Report

Provider Name: Explore Learning Academy	Provider Information	CLR No: L384176
Provider Address: 2122 Broadway, Paducah, KY, 42001	Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I	Capacity: 19
Owner(s): Explore Learning Academy LLC		Director(s): Gaines, Christina

Inspection Type: Investigation	Inspection Information	Inspection No: 322138
Date Initiated: 07/28/2022 9:35 AM	Date Concluded: 07/28/2022 11:15 AM	
	No. of Children Present: 15	

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Supervision	In Compliance																														
Staffing Requirements	Not In Compliance																														
125 - Ratios and Group Size	Not In Compliance																														
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General: Based on observation and interview, a caregiver supervised thirteen (13) children for approximately five (5) minutes in the outdoor play area. The age of the youngest child was a one-year-old child; therefore, staff to child ratios was not maintained.																															

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Outdoor Play Area

Not In Compliance

780 - Fence Requirement

Not In Compliance

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

(20) An outdoor play area shall be:

(a) Except for an after-school child-care program located on the premises of a public or state-accredited nonpublic school, fenced for the safety of the children;

Findings:

General: Based on observation, a wooden picket was missing and left an approximate seven (7) inch gap in the wooden fence that surrounded the outdoor playground. The opening allowed children access from the playground to the back parking lot.

Equipment

Not In Compliance

865 - Indoor/Outdoor Equipment

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 13. Toys and Furnishings.

(2) Indoor and outdoor equipment shall:

- (a) Be clean, safe, and in good repair;**
- (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:

Based on interview, the air conditioning unit did not work properly on 07/01/22. Interviews revealed the air conditioner thermostat registered 83 degrees Fahrenheit. The parents were notified to pick up the children due to the air conditioning unit was not working.

Kitchen Requirements

Not In Compliance

1030 - Food Service Permit

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:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, the food permit and caterer's contract were not available for review.

Posted Documentation

Not In Compliance

1325 - Daily Activities

Not In Compliance

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

(1) A director shall:

(h) Post a schedule of daily activities, to include dates and times of activities to be conducted with the children in each classroom;

Findings:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, there was no daily schedule posted in the preschool room and the two-year-old room.

Signature of Provider/Representative

Title

Date