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**Inspection Report**

<b>Provider Name:</b> Ridgewood Child Development Center	<b>Provider Information</b>	<b>CLR No:</b> L350458
<b>Provider Address:</b> 6209 Greenwood Road, Louisville, KY, 40258	<b>Provider Type:</b> LICENSED TYPE I	<b>Capacity:</b> 99
<b>Owner(s):</b> Ridgewood Baptist Church, Inc.		<b>Director(s):</b> Ploetner, Christina Jean

<b>Inspection Type:</b> Investigation	<b>Inspection Information</b>	<b>Inspection No:</b> 290211
<b>Date Initiated:</b> 07/17/2019 9:50 AM	<b>Date Concluded:</b> 07/17/2019 11:00 AM	
	<b>No. of Children Present:</b> 61	

Inspection Report	
Background Checks	Not In Compliance
<b>5 - Background check/left alone/dismissed/relocated</b>	<b>Not In Compliance</b>
<p><b>922 KAR 2:280. Section 3. Implementation and Enforcement.</b></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><b>Findings:</b></p> <p>General: Based on observation, interview and review of documentation, the child care center failed to comply with regulatory requirements regarding background checks. Upon request, the staff member in charge did not present verification that a fingerprint background check had been initiated for a staff member with hire dates of 7/8/19. Review of the KARES database revealed the aforementioned staff member was not entered into the National Background Check Program, fingerprints were not identified to have been taken, nor an "eligible for employment" status determined. The staff member was observed working alone with children.</p>	
<b>Supervision</b>	<b>In Compliance</b>
<b>Staffing Requirements</b>	<b>In Compliance</b>
<b>Director Requirements</b>	<b>Not In Compliance</b>
<b>360 - Caregiver Alone</b>	<b>Not In Compliance</b>
<p><b>922 KAR 2:090. Section 10. Director Requirements and Responsibilities.</b></p> <p>(1) A director shall:</p> <p>(n) Assure that a person acting as a caregiver of a child in care shall not be left alone with a child, if the licensee has not received the results of the background checks as described in 922 KAR 2:280;</p> <p><b>Findings:</b></p> <p>General: Based on observation, interview and review of documentation, the child care center director failed to assure compliance with regulatory requirements. Upon request, the staff member in charge did not present verification that a fingerprint background check had been initiated for a staff member with hire date of 7/8/19. Review of the KARES database revealed the aforementioned staff member was not entered into the National Background Check Program, fingerprints were not identified to have been taken, nor an "eligible for employment" status determined. The staff member was observed working alone with children.</p>	

## 420 - Program of Activities Followed

Not In Compliance

**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 child care center failed to comply with programming requirements. Interview with staff members and the staff member in charge revealed that school age children are placed in classrooms with younger children, ranging in age from two (2) to five (5) years old. The school age children stay in the classrooms with the younger children for the duration of the day while in attendance at the center, between one (1) and three (3) times per week. During the time that the school age children are in the classrooms with the younger children, they participate in activities planned for children ages two (2) to five (5) years old; therefore, the school age children are not offered developmentally appropriate activities throughout the day.

## 480 - Infant/Toddler Combined with Older Children

Not In Compliance

**922 KAR 2:120. Section 5. Infant and Toddler Play Requirements.**

**(2) Except in accordance with subsection (3) of this section or Section 2(2)(c) of this administrative regulation, an infant or toddler under twenty-four (24) months of age shall not participate in an activity with an older child for no more than one (1) hour per day.**

**(3) If a toddler is developmentally appropriate for a transition to a preschool age group, a toddler may participate in an activity with an older child for more than one (1) hour per day if:**

- (a) Space for the toddler is available in the preschool-age group;**
- (b) The staff-to-child ratios and group sizes are maintained based on the age of the youngest child;**
- (c) The center has a procedure for listing a transitioning toddler on attendance records, including a specific day and time the toddler is with either age group; and**
- (d) The child care center has obtained the signature and approval of the toddler's parent on the toddler's transition plan.**

**Findings:**

General: Based on observation and interview, the child care center failed to comply with programming requirements. Interview with staff members and the staff member in charge revealed that school age children are placed in classrooms with younger children, ranging in age from two (2) to five (5) years old. The school age children stay in the classrooms with the younger children for the duration of the day while in attendance at the center, between one (1) and three (3) times per week; therefore, the center failed to comply with the regulation requiring toddlers to be combined with older children no more than one (1) hour per day.

Signature of Provider/Representative

Title

Date