



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Child Care Facility Inspection Report

FIRST STEP TO LEARNING DAYCARE

License #: 7595

Director: QUARQUERITE LOWE

Inspection Date: 04/28/2023

Annual/Mid Inspection

Inspector: Denise Love

Program Administration Violations Cited

No violations cited.

Kitchen Violations Cited

No violations cited.

Nutritional Guidelines Violations Cited

1. **COS:** No hot dogs, corndogs, bologna, bacon, sausage, pancake sticks, small chicken nuggets, fish sticks, and steak fingers observed at the facility are served at any time.

Plan of Correction

1. **POC:** During observation of the kitchen LO observed fish sticks in the freezer and sliced cheese on the counter. Technical Assistance: Fish sticks are processed meat and sliced cheese are not allowed to be served to children. Recommendation to remove the items from the facility and follow the approved menu.
Person Responsible: Quarquerite Lowe **Date for Completion:** 04/28/2023

Playground Violations Cited

1. **Out of Compliance:** Playground fence is less than 3 ½ inches from ground surface, in good repair with no gaps and secure gate latch. (Rule 1.11.9(8) Page 60)

Infant Classroom Violations Cited

Infants - Classroom Number: 4

1. **COS:** Proper staff to child ratio maintained. (Rule 1.8.1 Page 37)

Infant Classroom - Classroom Number: 4

1. **POC:** During observation of the Infant classroom LO observed 8 infants with one caregiver. This caused this classroom to be over staff-to child ratio over 3. Another caregiver arrived approximately 20 minutes later. Supervisory review - Possible monetary penalty. Subchapter 8: STAFFING Rule 1.8.1 (1) The staff-to-child ratio shall be maintained at all times, to include when children are arriving and departing the facility. POC: The director stated she will make sure she has enough staff and that they are present.

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Toddler Classroom Violations Cited

One-Year Olds - Classroom Number: 3

1. **Out of Compliance:** A proper diaper changing station is provided which includes: (a) hot & cold running water, (b) smooth, easily cleanable surface, (c) plastic, lined and covered garbage receptacle, (d) sanitizing & disinfecting solution. Handwashing sink is used only for handwashing. (Rule 1.16.1 Page 77)

Toddler Classroom - Classroom Number: 3

Twos Classroom Violations Cited

Two Year Olds - Classroom Number: 1

No violations cited.

Twos Classroom - Classroom Number: 1

Preschool Classroom Violations Cited

Three And Four Year Olds - Classroom Number: 2

No violations cited.

Preschool Classroom - Classroom Number: 2

School Age Room Violations Cited

School-Age - Classroom Number: 5

No violations cited.

School Age Room - Classroom Number: 5

Legend

- COS: Corrected on Site
- POC: Plan of Correction

Child Care Director Signature



MSDH Licensure Representative Signature

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