



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Child Care Facility Inspection Report

LITTLE BLESSINGS

License #: 7382

Director: DEBRA STEWART

Inspection Date: 08/16/2023

Annual/Mid Inspection

Inspector: Amanda Smith

Program Administration Violations Cited

No violations cited.

Plan of Correction

1. **POC:** The following items must be completed for renewal: Renewal Application License Renewal Fee
Fire Form 333 Menus (minimum of 2 week cycle) Playground Corrections (Andrea Thames)
Person Responsible: Debra Stewart/Andrea Thames **Date for Completion:** For Renewal

Kitchen Violations Cited

No violations cited.

Nutritional Guidelines Violations Cited

No violations cited.

Playground Violations Cited

1. **Out of Compliance:** Playground area is clean and free of hazards. (Rule 1.11.11 Page 61)
2. **Out of Compliance:** Equipment on playground area is age appropriate for children using equipment. (Rule 1.10.2 Page 46)
3. **Out of Compliance:** Concrete footings are at least six inches below ground surface. (Rule 1.10.2(2) Page 46)
4. **Out of Compliance:** Appropriate surfacing material is present and meets minimum required compressed loose-fill surfacing depths (e.g., 6 inches for shredded/recycled rubber; 9 inches for sand, pea gravel, wood mulch (non-CCA), and woodchips). (Appendix D 2.4 & 2.5 Page 8-10)
5. **Out of Compliance:** All use zones are adequate. (CPSC 5.3.9 Page 40)

1. **POC:** Rule 1.11.11(1) states ???The grounds, including the outdoor playground area, shall be free of hazardous or potentially hazardous objects.??? Findings: Swings are attached to composite structure which encourages climbing. Horizontal cross-bars located on composite structure. Swings are suspended from bar with fiber ropes. Swings are attached to the composite structure. These hazards are addressed in Appendix D, Playground Safety Standards: Section 5.3. 8.1 states: * Swings should be suspended from support structures that discourage climbing.(page 37) * A-frame support structures should not have horizontal cross-bars. (page 37) * Fiber ropes are not recommended as a means of suspending swings since they may degrade over time. (page 38) 5.3. 8.3 * Swings should not be attached to composite structures. (page 39) POC: Facility will remove structure. Rule 1.10.2(2) states in part ???Access to playground equipment shall be limited to age groups for which the equipment is developmentally appropriate.??? Findings- Structure on two year old playground is not intended for two year old children. POC: Facility will remove structure. Rule 1.10.2 (2) states in part ???Outdoor playground climbing equipment and swings shall be set in concrete footings located at least six inches below ground surface??? Findings: Portions of the concrete footings were exposed above the ground surface around swings on preschool playground and all composite structures. POC- Facility will build up the ground around the structures in order to ensure concrete footings are a minimum of 6 inches below the ground surface. Rule 1.10.2(1) states ???All playgrounds and playground equipment used by children 2 - 12 years of age shall meet the safety standards set forth in Appendix ???D??? of these regulations.??? Appendix D, Playground Safety Standards, Section 2.4- 2.5 pg 8-10; Table 2, pg 11, Loose Fill Surfacing Depths Findings: Swings and Composite Structures on all playgrounds lacked adequate surfacing around each structure. Bare spots were noted in the mulch around the structures on all playgrounds. POC- Facility will remove existing composted, deteriorated mulch before adding appropriate surfacing back to these areas.

Person Responsible: Andrea Thames **Date for Completion:** 60 Days

Infant Classroom Violations Cited

Infant - Classroom Number: 3

No violations cited.

Infant Classroom - Classroom Number: 3

Infant - Classroom Number: 14

No violations cited.

Infant Classroom - Classroom Number: 14

Infant - Classroom Number: 2

No violations cited.

Infant Classroom - Classroom Number: 2

Infant - Classroom Number: 13

No violations cited.

Infant Classroom - Classroom Number: 13

Toddler Classroom Violations Cited

Toddler - Classroom Number: 1

No violations cited.

Toddler Classroom - Classroom Number: 1

Toddler - Classroom Number: 4

No violations cited.

Toddler Classroom - Classroom Number: 4

Toddler - Classroom Number: 6

No violations cited.

Toddler Classroom - Classroom Number: 6

Twos Classroom Violations Cited

Twos - Classroom Number: 8

No violations cited.

Twos Classroom - Classroom Number: 8

Twos - Classroom Number: 7

No violations cited.

Twos Classroom - Classroom Number: 7

Preschool Classroom Violations Cited

Threes - Classroom Number: 11

No violations cited.

Preschool Classroom - Classroom Number: 11

Threes - Classroom Number: 12

No violations cited.

Preschool Classroom - Classroom Number: 12

Fours - Classroom Number: 9

No violations cited.

Preschool Classroom - Classroom Number: 9

Fours - Classroom Number: 17

No violations cited.

Preschool Classroom - Classroom Number: 17

Legend

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

Child Care Director Signature

Pelva Stewart

MSDH Licensure Representative Signature

Amanda K. Smith

Donna Walters