



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Child Care Facility Inspection Report

SANKOFA ACADEMY

License #: 5888

Director: TAMMY WITHERSPOON

Inspection Date: 07/07/2021

Annual/Mid Inspection

Inspector: LeKesha Sandifer

Program Administration Violations Cited

1. **Out of Compliance:** All staff members have a valid Letter of Suitability on file. (Rule 1.5.2 Page 21)
2. **COS:** All personnel records are present and up-to-date (employment application may be acceptable). (Rule 1.6.4 Page 30)

Plan of Correction

1. **POC:** Letter of suitability-licensing official observed 1 kitchen staff without a valid letter of suitability. 1 classroom worker with no letter of suitability start date March 2021. 1 classroom worker expired letter of suitability with break in service. Start date March 2021. Owner/director-stated she will have fingerprints sent Monday when she returns to work. Please provide licensing official with a copy of finger print cards and money order.

Person Responsible: Owner/director **Date for Completion:** July 12, 2021

Kitchen Violations Cited

1. **COS:** Food is separated and protected from potential contaminants (e.g., chemicals, raw meat and eggs are not stored above other food items; food containers are properly covered and/or sealed). (FC 3-302.11. 3-304.11 and 3-306.13(A))

Nutritional Guidelines Violations Cited

No violations cited.

Playground Violations Cited

No violations cited.

Infant Classroom Violations Cited

Infant - Classroom Number: 4

1. **COS:** Daily reports are made available for infants and include: liquid intake, child's disposition, bowel movements, and eating and sleeping patterns. (Rule 1.7.4 Page 35)
2. **COS:** Infants are placed on firm mattresses covered by a fitted sheet, and no other items including pillows, blankets, sheepskins, bumpers, soft objects, stuffed toys, loose bedding, etc. is in the crib. (Rule 1.9.4 Page 42)

Infant Classroom - Classroom Number: 4

Toddler Classroom Violations Cited

One Year Old - Classroom Number: 5

1. **COS:** Unused electrical outlets are covered by safety plug covers. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 52)
2. **COS:** Thermometers that are not hazardous to children are placed on interior walls at children's height. (Rule 1.11.8(9) Page 58)
3. **COS:** Daily reports are made available for toddlers and include: liquid intake, child's disposition, bowel movements, and eating and sleeping patterns. (Rule 1.7.4 Page 35)
4. **COS:** Unused electrical outlets are covered by safety plug covers. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 52)

Toddler Classroom - Classroom Number: 5

Twos Classroom Violations Cited

Two Year Old Room - Classroom Number: 1

1. **Out of Compliance:** Proper staff to child ratio maintained. (Rule 1.8.1 Page 37)
2. **Out of Compliance:** Infants and toddlers classroom is provided in a separate space from older children. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 51)
3. **COS:** Unused electrical outlets are covered by safety plug covers. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 52)
4. **COS:** Extension cords are not accessible to children. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 53)
5. **COS:** Doorways and exits are free of debris and equipment to allow unobstructed traffic to and from room. (Rule 1.11.3 Page 55)
6. **Out of Compliance:** Thermometers that are not hazardous to children are placed on interior walls at children's height. (Rule 1.11.8(9) Page 58)
7. **COS:** Unused electrical outlets are covered by safety plug covers. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 52)
8. **COS:** Extension cords are not accessible to children. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 53)

Twos Classroom - Classroom Number: 1

1. **POC:** Staff to ratio-The owner/director stated she will hire a floater or substitute teacher with a valid LOS to utilize when a caregiver is absent. This was corrected today by sending 6 children home. Separate space for older children-The owner stated she will not have after school children present until she is able to hire a teacher with a valid letter of suitability. This was corrected today by sending the 3 after school children home. Thermometer-owner stated she will purchase wall thermometers for classrooms and place them on interior of wall where children are present at children's height.

Person Responsible: Owner/director **Date for Completion:** July, 7, 2021 And July 12, 2021

Preschool Classroom Violations Cited

3 Year Old Room - Classroom Number: 2

1. **COS:** Unused electrical outlets are covered by safety plug covers. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 52)

2. **COS:** Thermometers that are not hazardous to children are placed on interior walls at children's height. (Rule 1.11.8(9) Page 58)
3. **COS:** Unused electrical outlets are covered by safety plug covers. (Rule 1.11.1 Page 52)

Preschool Classroom - Classroom Number: 2

Legend

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

Child Care Director Signature

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MSDH Licensure Representative Signature

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lekeisha Sandif". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lekeisha" and last name "Sandif" clearly distinguishable.