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CHILD CARE CENTER/GROUP CHILD CARE HOME INSPECTION

Program Name	THE LEARNING CENTER				License Number	DCCC.70645	Date of Inspection	02/01/2024		
					Expiration Date	4/30/2026	Time of Inspection	08:58 AM		
Address	131 LEEDER HILL DR #1				Telephone	(475) 655-2488	Licensed Capacity	116		
	HAMDEN CT 06517				Hours of Operation	MON-FRI 6:30AM-6:00PM	Infant/Toddler Capacity	48		
Is this a Change of Address?	Yes?		No?	X			Summer Care	Open		
New Address					Minimum Age Served	6 weeks	Maximum Age Served	12 years	Water Supply	Public Water
					Program's Email	131Learningcenter@gmail.com				
Operator	MAMA BEAR CUBBY CARE, LLC				Name of Inspector	Jenn Schulz				
Director	Tyshell Gore				Inspector's Email	jennifer.schulz@ct.gov				
Key:	Compliant = X	# of Infants - Toddlers Present	25	# of Total Children Present	34	# of Staff Present	14	Type of Inspection	UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION - FULL	
Non-Compliant = O										

LICENSURE PROCEDURES 19a-79-2a

X	1. Local Health Inspection	
	Date: 03/08/2022	
X	1a. False or Misleading Statements	

ADMINISTRATION 19a-79-3a

O	1b. Administration	(a)Failed to ensure the safety, health and development of the children when 2 children in Transition room were in feeding chairs without safety straps being used.
X	1bb. Capacity	
X	2. New Staff – Employee Orientation	
X	3. Annual Staff Policy Training	
X	3b. Managing child behavior	
O	4. Documentation of Behavior M. Tech Discussed w/parents	Failed to maintain documentation that behavior management techniques were discussed with parents in 2 out of 10 children's files.
X	4b. Failure to report	

X	5. Notification of Change	
X	6. Program policies	Including discipline, supervision, child protection, general operating, personnel, closing time
X	7. Daily Attendance Records- staff and children	
ITEMS POSTED – ACCESSIBLE		
X	8. License	
O	9. Fire Marshal certificate	Failed to maintain a current fire marshal inspection. Observed posted Fire marshal certificate to be more than 1 year old.
	Date	03/18/2022
X	10. OEC Complaint procedure	
	11. Food Service Certificate	N/A?
	Date	X
X	12. Menus	
X	13. Emergency plans	
X	14. No Smoking Signs	
X	15. Radon Test	N/A?
	Date	Results
	03/13/20	1.9
X	15a. Developmental Milestones	
X	15b. Access	
X	15bb. Endorsements	
STAFFING 19a-79-4a		
X	15c. Staffing	
X	16. Staff Health records – TB tests	
X	17. Professional development	
X	18. Disciplinary actions	
X	18b. Background checks	

X	19. Designated Head Teacher	
X	20. Two Staff present	
X	20a. Staff Qualities	
X	21. Ratio: 1 staff to 10 children	
X	21b. Supervision	
X	22. Group Size – maximum 20 children	
X	23. Designated director - Training	
X	24. CPR Certified Staff (Group Home N/A)	
X	25. First Aid Trained Staff	
X	26. Consultants- Agreements and Contracts	
X	27. Logs – Visits documented	
	Not in Compliance?	Education
	Contracts	Health
	Logs	Social Service
		Dental
		Dietician N/A? X
Do they take children swimming? N SWIMMING		
X	28. Non-swimmers identified	
X	29. Staff/Child Ratios	
X	30. CPR certified staff (20 years of age)	
X	31. Lifeguard certified - supervision	
RECORD KEEPING 19a-79-5a		
X	32. Enrollment information	
O	33. Emergency medical permission	Failed to maintain emergency medical permission forms in 3 out of 10 children's files reviewed.
X	34. Authorized release permission	
X	35. Field trip permission	
X	36. Transportation permission	

X	37. Child health records and immunizations	
X	38. Individual care plan (signed by parents and staff)	
X	39. Injury, Illness, Accident reports	
HEALTH AND SAFETY 19a-79-6a		
X	40. Nutritious snacks and meals (required food groups)	
X	41. Proper refrigeration (max 45°)	
X	42. Kitchen separated	N/A?
X	43. Hand washing – before eating or food handling	
X	44. First Aid Kit(s) – Indoor, Outdoor, Field Trips, Inventory	
PHYSICAL PLANT 19a-79-7a		
O	45. License premises – clean, good repair, hazard free	Failed to maintain the building, equipment and services when a toilet was observed to be soiled & a bucket with standing water with toys in it was observed in the preschool room. Observed a sulfur smell coming from underneath the counter unit, stained ceiling tiles & a leak in the ceiling in the Infant room. Observed dusty employee bathroom vent near the gym & by Transition room. Observed torn mesh screening on 1 of 2 playgrounds.
X	47b. Plans for new construction, expansion, renovation or conversion	
X	48. Sanitary drinking fountains – disposable cups	
X	49. Lead Water Test (N/A?) 03/22/2022	Bacterial/Chemical Test (N/A?) X
X	50. Walkways maintained	
X	51. Designated staff toilet/sink	
X	52. All openings for ventilation screened	
X	53. Windows protected to prevent falls	
X	54. Glass protected up to 36"	
X	55. Overhead doors – locking devices, spring protectors	
X	56. Exits, Hallways and Stairs unobstructed	

<input type="radio"/>	57. Individual storage of clothing and bedding	Failed to ensure that children's bedding is stored individually when bedding for multiple children was observed in 3 drawer organizer in Transition room.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	58. Smoking prohibited	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	59. Matches and lighters inaccessible	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	60. Electrical safety – outlets/cords	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	61. Toileting needs met	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	62. Required toilets, sinks, supplies	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	63. Potty chairs – nonporous, emptied, disinfected	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	64. Hand washing after toileting – staff and children	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	65. Ventilation in toilet rooms	
<input type="radio"/>	66. Air temperature 65 degrees, thermometer affixed	Failed to ensure that the ambient air temperature is at least 65 degrees when gym temperature was observed at 57.9 degrees. Failed to ensure that every area used by children has a thermometer affixed to the wall in Multi purpose room & Infant room thermometer wasn't functioning.
<input type="radio"/>	67. Water temperature 60° – 115°	Failed to ensure the water temperature is between 60-115 degrees. Observed hot water temperature in Toddler B at 124.7 degrees, 115.9 degrees in Transition room, 130.6 degrees in Toddler A, 132 degrees in One's, 130.3 in Infant, 126.2 degrees in Infant A & 52 degrees in child hall bathrooms by the gym.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	68. Portable space heaters	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	69. Walls, ceilings, floors and rugs – clean, good repair	
<input type="radio"/>	70. Rugs secure	Failed to ensure that rugs are secured to the floor in Preschool where 2 transportation rugs were curling at the edges.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	71. Hot water, steam pipes protected	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	72. Working phone on each level	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	73. Emergency numbers posted	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	74. Adequate lighting - 50/30 candle feet	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	75. Light fixtures shielded, shatter proof	
<input type="radio"/>	76. Potentially hazardous substances locked	Failed to ensure that potentially hazardous substances are stored in a locked area in the School age room where Zep cleaners & Raid spray were unlocked.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	77. Garbage, rubbish disposed daily	

X	78. Stairs protected, good repair, handrails	
X	79. Pets – maintained, care plan	Y/N N
X	80. Operable CO detector on each level	N/A? Y
X	81. Program space-adequate square footage per child	
O	82. Equipment clean, good repair, safe, non-toxic	Failed to ensure that equipment is free from protruding nails, rust, toxic material and other hazards when rust was observed in microwaves in Infant A & Toddler A.
X	83. Cots stored, maintained, adequate number	
X	84. Developmentally appropriate equipment	
X	85. Hot tubs, spas, saunas – locked and inaccessible	Y/N N
X	86. No weapons, no facsimile of a firearm on premises	
OUTDOOR SPACE		
X	87. Outdoor space - adequate square footage per child	
X	88. Impact absorbing material under equipment	
X	89. Playground free from hazards	
X	92. Equipment anchored, safely arranged	
X	93. Outdoor play area protected, fenced	
X	94. Drinking water available, accessible	
EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS 19a-79-8a		
X	95. Written plan for daily program available to parents/staff	
X	96. Schedule – Activity choices and Program	Activity choices: developmentally appropriate, flexible, meets individual needs Program includes: indoor/outdoor, gross/fine motor skills, snacks/meals, rest/sleep/quiet time, toileting and clean up
ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS 19a-79-9a		
X	97. Written policies, procedures	
X	98. Training outline on file	

NONPRESCRIPTION TOPICAL MEDICATIONS						
X	99. Administration, parent permission, MAR					
X	100. Labeling, storage					
ORAL/TOPICAL/INHALENT MEDICATIONS						
X	101. Med trained staff, certificates					
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Y	Y					
X	102. Authorized prescriber, parent permission, MAR					
X	103. Labeling, storage					
X	104. Unused, expired meds returned/disposed					
SELF-ADMINISTRATION						
X	105. Authorized prescriber, parent permission, MAR					
X	106. Labeling, storage					
X	107. Approved petition for special medication authorization					
Yes	Is there an approved endorsement?	INFANT/TODDLER ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-10				
X	109. Approved endorsement					
X	110. Ratio: 1 staff to 4 children					
X	111. Group size: no larger than 8					
X	112. Physical barriers, groups of 8 (indoors and outdoors)					
O	113. Adequate sinks in program space	Failed to maintain a separate sink for purposes other than hand washing after diapering when staff in Toddler B & Ones indicated that hand wash sinks in the classrooms are used for washing toys.				
X	114. Free standing, well-constructed, safe cribs					
X	115. Washable cots					
X	116. Chairs for feeding, stable, safety straps, locking tray					
X	117. Developmentally appropriate tables, chairs, equipment					
X	118. Refrigerators and food prop facilities					

O	119. Diaper area-sturdy, safety rail, nonporous, exclusive use	Failed to ensure the exclusive use of the diaper area when art supplies were observed on the diaper table in Toddler B.		
X	120. Diaper area-washed, disinfected			
X	121. Diaper area-disposable paper sheets			
X	122. Covered waste receptacle			
X	123. Diaper changing policy posted, followed			
X	124. Hand washing policy posted, followed			
X	125. Individual storage of personal items			
X	126. Cribs/cots washed and disinfected			
X	127. Under 12 months- placed on back for sleeping			
X	128. Alternate sleep position-equipment, medical documentation	Yes	No	
			X	
X	129. Crib, bed used for infant sleeping			
X	130. Crib, bed free from observable hazards			
X	131. Infant toys separate, washed, disinfected daily			
X	132. No toys, objects less than 1/1/4" diameter			
X	133. Plastic bags, balloons, Styrofoam objects inaccessible			
X	134. Health consultant, doc. of visits			
X	135. Infants held for bottles, indiv. attention, tummy time			
X	136. Written statement, feeding schedule from parent			
X	137. Unused portions of liquids discarded			
X	138. Clean Bottles, disp. bottles, approved bottle washing			
X	139. Food served from dish or whole jar served			
X	140. Bottles individually identified with child's name			

OUTDOOR PLAY SPACE - UNDER THREE

X	141. Play space fenced	
X	142. Outdoor equipment developmentally appropriate	
Yes	Is there an approved endorsement?	SCHOOL AGE ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-11
X	143. Approved endorsement	
X	144. Activity choices appropriate	
X	145. Ratio – 1 staff to 10 children	
X	146. Group size – maximum 20 children	
X	147. Education Consultant appropriate	
No	Is there an approved endorsement?	NIGHT CARE ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-12 (10pm-5am)
	148. Approved endorsement	
	149. Written program plan, supervision	
	150. Staff awake and available	
	151. Cot, crib, bedding, toiletries, sleep apparel	
	152. Individual storage of personal items	
	153. Bedding, sleeping apparel laundered weekly	
Y	Child with diabetes enrolled?	MONITORING OF DIABETES 19a-79-13
X	154. Written policies and procedures	
X	155. On site staff trained in first aid, glucose testing	
X	156. Training current and documented	
X	157. Supervision of self-administration	
X	158. Equipment, supplies labeled and inaccessible	

X	159. Signed agreement with parents regarding equipment	
X	160. Materials discarded appropriately	
X	161. Authorized prescriber, parent permission	
X	162. Documentation of test results, actions taken	
X	163. Daily written parent notification	

ADDITIONAL VIOLATIONS




X	62. Consent Order - Negotiated Corrective Action Plan	N/A?	
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YES or NO? Yes	WERE VIOLATIONS CITED DURING THIS VISIT?
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DISCUSSIONS:

COMMENTS:

NOTE: Items left blank on this form were not monitored during this visit.
 Only the regulations marked as compliant, non-compliant or not applicable were monitored or discussed.
APPLICANTS: You MAY NOT OPERATE until all requirements have been met and a license has been issued by the Agency.

 (Signature of OEC Representative)	 (Signature of OEC Representative)	DATE CORRECTIONS DUE BY:	 (Signature of Person in Charge)
Jenn Schulz (Printed Name)	Bridget L. Merrill (Printed Name)	02/15/2024	Tyshell Gore (Printed Name)