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CHILD CARE CENTER/GROUP CHILD CARE HOME INSPECTION

Program Name	CADENCE ACADEMY PRESCHOOL	**License Number**	DCCC.70281
		Date of Inspection	04/16/2024
		Expiration Date	1/31/2028
		Time of Inspection	09:17 AM
Address	115 BARLOW MOUNTAIN RD RIDGEFIELD CT 06877-1902	**Telephone**	(203) 438-3737
		Licensed Capacity	160
Is this a Change of Address?	Yes? No? X	**Hours of Operation**	M-F 7AM-6PM
		Infant/Toddler Capacity	64
		Summer Care	Open
New Address		**Minimum Age Served**	6 weeks
		Maximum Age Served	12 years
		Water Supply	Public Water
		Program's Email	Ridgefield@cadence-academy.com
Operator	COUNTRY KIDS CHILD CARE	**Name of Inspector**	Jaime Fortin
Director	MICHELLE MATTOLA	**Inspector's Email**	jaime.fortin@ct.gov
Key: Compliant = X Non-Compliant = O	# of Infants – Toddlers Present: 36 # of Total Children Present: 94 # of Staff Present: 22	**Type of Inspection**	UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION - FULL

LICENSURE PROCEDURES 19a-79-2a

X	**1. Local Health Inspection** Date: 05/30/2023	
X	**1a. False or Misleading Statements**	

ADMINISTRATION 19a-79-3a

X	**1b. Administration**	
X	**1bb. Capacity**	
O	**2. New Staff – Employee Orientation**	Failed to maintain documentation of 4 out of 5 staff orientations
X	**3. Annual Staff Policy Training**	
X	**3b. Managing child behavior**	
X	**4. Documentation of Behavior M. Tech Discussed w/parents**	
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**	
X	**9. Fire Marshal certificate** **Date** 03/14/2024	
X	**10. OEC Complaint procedure**	
	11. Food Service Certificate **Date**	**N/A?** X
X	**12. Menus**	
X	**13. Emergency plans**	
X	**14. No Smoking Signs**	
X	**15. Radon Test** **Date** 02/27/1997 **Results** .6/.4	**N/A?**
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	
O	21b. Supervision	Failed to ensure the supervision of children at all times while indoors- observed 2 boys and then1 girl in prek A/B shared bathroom unsupervised.
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	Health	Social Service	Dental	Dietician N/A? X
Contracts					
Logs					

SWIMMING

Do they take children swimming? Y

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	
X	33. Emergency medical permission	
X	34. Authorized release permission	
X	35. Field trip permission	
X	36. Transportation permission	

O	37. Child health records and immunizations	Failed to maintain current health records for children for 1 out of 12 children
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	
X	45. License premises – clean, good repair, hazard free	
X	47b. Plans for new construction, expansion, renovation or conversion	
X	48. Sanitary drinking fountains – disposable cups	
X	49. Lead Water Test (N/A?) 03/15/2024	Bacterial/Chemical Test (N/A?) X
X	50. Walkways maintained	
X	51. Designated staff toilet/sink	
O	52. All openings for ventilation screened	Failed to maintain 16 mesh screening for all windows that open to the outside and are used for ventilation -hole in toddlers screen that was open during visit.
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	

X	57. Individual storage of clothing and bedding	
X	58. Smoking prohibited	
X	59. Matches and lighters inaccessible	
X	60. Electrical safety – outlets/cords	
X	61. Toileting needs met	
X	62. Required toilets, sinks, supplies	
X	63. Potty chairs – nonporous, emptied, disinfected	
X	64. Hand washing after toileting – staff and children	
X	65. Ventilation in toilet rooms	
X	66. Air temperature 65 degrees, thermometer affixed	
X	67. Water temperature 60° – 115°	
X	68. Portable space heaters	
O	69. Walls, ceilings, floors and rugs – clean, good repair	Failed to maintain walls, ceilings, floors and rugs in a good state of repair -Observed stained ceiling tiles in two's and Toddlers rooms. Observed peeling paint on walls in two A
X	70. Rugs secure	
X	71. Hot water, steam pipes protected	
X	72. Working phone on each level	
X	73. Emergency numbers posted	
X	74. Adequate lighting - 50/30 candle feet	
X	75. Light fixtures shielded, shatter proof	
X	76. Potentially hazardous substances locked	
X	77. Garbage, rubbish disposed daily	

X	78. Stairs protected, good repair, handrails	
X	79. Pets – maintained, care plan	Y/N Y
X	80. Operable CO detector on each level	N/A? Y
X	81. Program space- adequate square footage per child	
X	82. Equipment clean, good repair, safe, non-toxic	
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	
O	88. Impact absorbing material under equipment	Failed to ensure a minimum of 8 inches of impact absorbing materials under climbing equipment/ bottom of slides in middle playground
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** O/T/I: Y Injectable: 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**	
O	**110. Ratio: 1 staff to 4 children**	**Failed to maintain proper staff/child ratios- observed 6:1 ratio at arrival with 3 children over 3 and 3 over 32 months and not yet 3 without written permission**
X	**111. Group size: no larger than 8**	
X	**112. Physical barriers, groups of 8 (indoors and outdoors)**	
X	**113. Adequate sinks in program space**	
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**	

X	119. Diaper area- sturdy, safety rail, nonporous, exclusive use	
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	
N	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

		N/A?	
	62. Consent Order - Negotiated Corrective Action Plan	X	

YES or NO?	WERE VIOLATIONS CITED DURING THIS VISIT?
Yes	

DISCUSSIONS:

Discussed- 2 small basketball hoops not secured on playgroup and preschool 2/3 preschool bedding not separated in Prek B

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.

Jaime Fortin (Signature of OEC Representative)	(Signature of OEC Representative)	DATE CORRECTIONS DUE BY:	Michelle Mottola (Signature of Person in Charge)
Jaime Fortin (Printed Name)	(Printed Name)	04/30/2024	Michelle Mottola (Printed Name)