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CHILD CARE CENTER/GROUP CHILD CARE HOME INSPECTION

Program Name	THE LITTLE SCHOOLHOUSE				License Number	DCCC.16475	Date of Inspection	08/23/2024	
					Expiration Date	10/31/2025	Time of Inspection	09:25 AM	
Address	1440 WHALLEY AVE STE 5 NEW HAVEN CT 06515-1145				Telephone	(203) 389-6372	Licensed Capacity	46	
					Hours of Operation	FROM: 7:30AM TO: 5:30PM	Infant/Toddler Capacity	26	
Is this a Change of Address?	Yes?		No?	X			Summer Care	Open	
New Address					Minimum Age Served	6 weeks	Maximum Age Served	5 years	
					Water Supply		Public Water		
					Program's Email	mimi.thelittleschoolhouse@yahoo.com			
Operator	THE LITTLE SCHOOLHOUSE LLC				Name of Inspector	Bridget Merrill			
Director	MIMI BRYANT				Inspector's Email	bridget.merrill@ct.gov			
Key:	Compliant = X	# of Infants - Toddlers Present	15	# of Total Children Present	28	# of Staff Present	12	Type of Inspection	UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION - FULL
	Non-Compliant = O								

LICENSURE PROCEDURES 19a-79-2a

X	1. Local Health Inspection	
	Date: 06/13/2024	
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 3 children were observed in feeding chairs without using safety straps.
X	1bb. Capacity	
X	2. New Staff – Employee Orientation	
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	06/21/2024
X	10. OEC Complaint procedure	
	11. Food Service Certificate	<u>N/A?</u>
	Date	X
X	12. Menus	
X	13. Emergency plans	
X	14. No Smoking Signs	
X	15. Radon Test	<u>N/A?</u>
	Date	Results
	12/02/2015	.3
X	15a. Developmental Milestones	
X	15b. Access	
X	15bb. 32-36 mths enrolled in prek-permissions	
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 Health Social Service Dental Dietician N/A?
	Contracts	
	Logs	
	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 for 1 child.
O	34. Authorized release permission	Failed to maintain authorized release permission forms for 3 children which includes the names/ phone numbers of person(s) other than parent(s).
X	35. Field trip permission	
X	36. Transportation permission	

X	37. Child health records and immunizations		
O	38. Individual care plan (signed by parents and staff)	Failed to maintain individual care plans for 2 children with Albuterol. Failed to maintain complete individual care plans for 3 children where parent &/ or staff signatures were missing.	
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?) 06/21/2024	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		

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	
O	65. Ventilation in toilet rooms	Failed to ensure that toilet rooms have mechanical ventilation. Vent in infant bathroom appears to be non functional.
X	66. Air temperature 65 degrees, thermometer affixed	
X	67. Water temperature 60° – 115°	
X	68. Portable space heaters	
X	69. Walls, ceilings, floors and rugs – clean, good repair	
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 N
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	
X	88. Impact absorbing material under equipment	
O	89. Playground free from hazards	Failed to ensure that nuts, bolts and screws are tight, and those that protrude are covered or protected. Observed exposed screw ends on outdoor fencing.
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

<input type="radio"/>	99. Administration, parent permission, MAR	Failed to maintain complete written parent permission forms for diaper cream. Observed no dates of administration for 5 diaper creams in infant/ ones's rooms.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	100. Labeling, storage	

ORAL/TOPICAL/INHALENT MEDICATIONS

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	101. Med trained staff, certificates O/T/I Injectable Y Y	
<input type="radio"/>	102. Authorized prescriber, parent permission, MAR	Failed to maintain current written orders for 2 children with Albuterol. Both forms expired 6/30/24. Failed to maintain complete written orders for 1 child with Diastat. Parent section of the written order is not filled out.
<input type="radio"/>	103. Labeling, storage	Failed to maintain proper storage of controlled substances. Observed Diastat on site in an area that is not double locked.
<input type="radio"/>	104. Unused, expired meds returned/disposed	Failed to ensure that expired medication is destroyed or returned to the parent. Observed 2 Albuterol medications with expiration dates of 11/2023 & March 2024.

SELF-ADMINISTRATION

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	105. Authorized prescriber, parent permission, MAR	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	106. Labeling, storage	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	107. Approved petition for special medication authorization	

INFANT/TODDLER ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-10

Yes	Is there an approved endorsement?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	109. Approved endorsement	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	110. Ratio: 1 staff to 4 children	
<input type="radio"/>	111. Group size: no larger than 8	Failed to maintain proper group size not to exceed 8 children. Observed 15 children under age 3yrs old on the playground at the same time.
<input type="radio"/>	112. Physical barriers, groups of 8 (indoors and outdoors)	Failed to maintain a physical barrier separating each group of 8 children outdoors. Observed 15 children under age 3yrs old on the playground outside without a physical barrier between each group of 8 children.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	113. Adequate sinks in program space	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	114. Free standing, well-constructed, safe cribs	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	115. Washable cots	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	116. Chairs for feeding, stable, safety straps, locking tray	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	117. Developmentally appropriate tables, chairs, equipment	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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			
O	130. Crib, bed free from observable hazards	Observed sheets in 5 cribs to be too large for dimensions of the mattress.		
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

62. Consent Order - Negotiated Corrective Action Plan	N/A?	
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YES or NO?
Yes

WERE VIOLATIONS CITED DURING THIS VISIT?

DISCUSSIONS/COMMENTS

Discussed/ gave new OEC complaint procedure.
Discussed getting documentation for shock absorbing tiles under large motor equipment & separating the grass area from large motor equipment that's not developmentally appropriate for children under age 3.

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)
Bridget Merrill (Printed Name)	 (Printed Name)	09/06/2024	Mimi Bryant (Printed Name)