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CHILD CARE CENTER/GROUP CHILD CARE HOME INSPECTION

Program Name	GREAT BEGINNINGS- EAST STREET				License Number	DCCC.14165	Date of Inspection	08/30/2024		
					Expiration Date	1/31/2025	Time of Inspection	09:15 AM		
Address	195 EAST STREET PLAINVILLE CT 06062				Telephone	(860) 747-1679	Licensed Capacity	106		
					Hours of Operation	FROM: 6:30AM TO: 6:00PM	Infant/Toddler Capacity	8		
Is this a Change of Address?	Yes?		No?	X			Summer Care	Open		
New Address					Minimum Age Served	2 years	Maximum Age Served	12 years	Water Supply	Public Water
					Program's Email	gbeginnings@msn.com				
Operator	KAREN C SHACKFORD				Name of Inspector	Betty Mayer				
Director	KAREN C SHACKFORD				Inspector's Email	elizabeth.mayer@ct.gov				
Key: Compliant = X Non-Compliant = O	# of Infants - Toddlers Present	0	# of Total Children Present	39	# of Staff Present	11	Type of Inspection	UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION - FULL		

LICENSURE PROCEDURES 19a-79-2a

O	1. Local Health Inspection Date: 10/20/2021	Failed to maintain current local health inspection.
X	1a. False or Misleading Statements	

ADMINISTRATION 19a-79-3a

X	1b. Administration	
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	10/17/2023
X	10. OEC Complaint procedure	
	11. Food Service Certificate	N/A?
	Date	X
	12. Menus	
X	13. Emergency plans	
X	14. No Smoking Signs	
X	15. Radon Test	N/A?
	Date	Results
	03/24/1994	.5
X	15a. Developmental Milestones	
X	15b. Access	
O	15bb. 32-36 mths enrolled in prek-permissions	Failed to obtain written permission from parents and/or the director for prek enrollment when observed 3 children in yellow room under the age of 3. Observed 10 children and 2 staff in classroom.
STAFFING 19a-79-4a		
X	15c. Staffing	
O	16. Staff Health records – TB tests	Failed to maintain current medical statement(s) when observed two staff physicals expired.
X	17. Professional development	
X	18. Disciplinary actions	
O	18b. Background checks	Failed to ensure staff have completed background checks when observed for 2 staff background checks expired.

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																			
O	24. CPR Certified Staff (Group Home N/A)	Failed to maintain current CPR certificates for four staff. Unable to verify if CPR trained staff are present during all operating hours.																		
O	25. First Aid Trained Staff	Failed to maintain current first aid certificates for four staff. Unable to verify first aid trained staff are present during all operating hours.																		
X	26. Consultants- Agreements and Contracts																			
X	27. Logs – Visits documented																			
	Not in Compliance?	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Education</td> <td>Health</td> <td>Social Service</td> <td>Dental</td> <td>Dietician N/A?</td> <td>X</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Contracts</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Logs</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Education	Health	Social Service	Dental	Dietician N/A?	X	Contracts						Logs					
Education	Health	Social Service	Dental	Dietician N/A?	X															
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	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																			
X	33. Emergency medical permission																			
X	34. Authorized release permission																			
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 one child with two medications.	
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?) 12/19/2023	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	
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	
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 Y
X	80. Operable CO detector on each level	N/A? Y
X	81. Program space-adequate square footage per child	
○	82. Equipment clean, good repair, safe, non-toxic	Failed to ensure that equipment is sturdy when observed art shelf in Light Blue room, dramatic play shelf in White room, puzzle shelf in Orange room and music shelf in Green room unsecure.
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	
○	89. Playground free from hazards	Failed to ensure the playground is free of hazards when observed peeling white paint on wooden fence.
X	92. Equipment anchored, safely arranged	
○	93. Outdoor play area protected, fenced	Failed to ensure that fencing is four feet in height. Observed fence facing side road and main road to be 40 to 47 inches in height.
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	Failed to maintain written order from prescriber for medication for one child with albuterol.				
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)					
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 prep 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

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

YES or NO?
Yes



WERE VIOLATIONS CITED DURING THIS VISIT?

DISCUSSIONS/COMMENTS

Refrigerators in need of defrosting in Light Blue & Green Room.
 Observed fraying carpet under loft in Gray Room.
 Thermometer missing in White and Green Room.
 One child's physical expired.
 *Program does not serve infants. Only children 2 and older.

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 Person in Charge)
Betty Mayer (Printed Name)	Karen C. Shackford (Printed Name)

DATE
CORRECTIONS
DUE BY:

09/13/2024