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CHILD CARE CENTER/GROUP CHILD CARE HOME INSPECTION

Program Name	STEP-A-WAY NURSERY SCHOOL				License Number	DCCC.12145	Date of Inspection	09/13/2024		
					Expiration Date	10/31/2028	Time of Inspection	10:30 AM		
Address	423 MAIN ST MONROE CT 06468-1136				Telephone	(203) 261-4717	Licensed Capacity	48		
					Hours of Operation	MW 9:00AM-3:00PM TRF 9:00AM-1:00PM	Infant/Toddler Capacity	13		
Is this a Change of Address?	Yes?		No?	X			Summer Care	Closed		
New Address					Minimum Age Served	2 years	Maximum Age Served	5 years	Water Supply	Public Water
					Program's Email	stepaway423@gmail.com				
Operator	STEPNEY BAPTIST CHURCH INC				Name of Inspector	Terri Ruducha-Roberts				
Director	HANNAH BARNETT				Inspector's Email	terri.ruducha-roberts@ct.gov				
Key: Compliant = X Non-Compliant = O	# of Infants - Toddlers Present	0	# of Total Children Present	24	# of Staff Present	4	Type of Inspection	UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION - FULL		

LICENSURE PROCEDURES 19a-79-2a

X	1. Local Health Inspection	
	Date: 08/22/2023	
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	

<input type="radio"/>	5. Notification of Change	Failed to provide notification of change of personnel changes for the program's health consultant who had been employed since 09/082021 and doesn't meet qualifications	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6. Program policies	Including discipline, supervision, child protection, general operating, personnel, closing time	
<input type="radio"/>	7. Daily Attendance Records- staff and children	Failed to record daily attendance that show specific time of arrival and departure for staff and children	
ITEMS POSTED – ACCESSIBLE			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8. License		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9. Fire Marshal certificate		
	Date	09/11/2024	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10. OEC Complaint procedure		
	11. Food Service Certificate	N/A?	
	Date	X	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12. Menus		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	13. Emergency plans		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	14. No Smoking Signs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15. Radon Test	N/A?	
	Date	Results	
	12/03/1994	1.1pci/l	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15a. Developmental Milestones		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15b. Access		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15bb. 32-36 mths enrolled in prek-permissions		
STAFFING 19a-79-4a			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15c. Staffing		
<input type="radio"/>	16. Staff Health records – TB tests	Failed to maintain current medical statement(s) for 2 of 6 staff	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	17. Professional development		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	18. Disciplinary actions		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	18b. Background checks		

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	37. Child health records and immunizations		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	38. Individual care plan (signed by parents and staff)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	39. Injury, Illness, Accident reports	Failed to maintain illness, reports for children	
HEALTH AND SAFETY 19a-79-6a			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	40. Nutritious snacks and meals (required food groups)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	41. Proper refrigeration (max 45°)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	42. Kitchen separated	N/A?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	43. Hand washing – before eating or food handling		
<input type="checkbox"/>	44. First Aid Kit(s) – Indoor, Outdoor, Field Trips, Inventory	Failed to maintain complete outdoor first aid kit(s)	
PHYSICAL PLANT 19a-79-7a			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	45. License premises – clean, good repair, hazard free		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	47b. Plans for new construction, expansion, renovation or conversion		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	48. Sanitary drinking fountains – disposable cups		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	49. Lead Water Test (N/A?) 09/12/2024	Bacterial/Chemical Test (N/A?) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	50. Walkways maintained		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	51. Designated staff toilet/sink		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	52. All openings for ventilation screened		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	53. Windows protected to prevent falls		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	54. Glass protected up to 36"		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	55. Overhead doors – locking devices, spring protectors		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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 working mechanical ventilation
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	
O	74. Adequate lighting - 50/30 candle feet	Failed to maintain at least 50 candle feet of light in rooms used for reading, painting and other close work in large room at writing table measured 21 and 30 foot candles; in the library room at the close work tables measuring 37-41 foot candles
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	
X	88. Impact absorbing material under equipment	
X	89. Playground free from hazards	
O	92. Equipment anchored, safely arranged	Failed to ensure outdoor equipment is anchored for stability for see saw helicopter, see saw airplane and red climber/slide structure
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)					
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	
No	Is there an approved endorsement?	SCHOOL AGE ENDORSEMENT 19a-79-11
	143. Approved endorsement	
	144. Activity choices appropriate	
	145. Ratio – 1 staff to 15 children	
	146. Group size – maximum 30 children	
	146b. 4 yr olds enrolled in school age-permissions	
	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

Number of infants enrolled=0
 Number of toddlers enrolled=16
 Numbers of preschoolers enrolled=32
 New complaint procedure provided and posted at visit
 Rusty bakeware observed on playground, inaccessible at the time of visit
 Rusty nail exposed in one corner of playground
 Window sill not clean in library room
 Second outdoor first aid kit on playground not in sanitary condition as observed
 Standing water in cake pan on playground
 Posting emergency numbers in a conspicuous plac
 Program now using digital forms, discussed requirements

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: 09/27/2024	 (Signature of Person in Charge)
Terri Ruducha-Roberts (Printed Name)	 (Printed Name)		Hannah Barnett (Printed Name)