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March 28, 2023

Latoya Summey
 Genesee Intermediate School District
 2413 West Maple Avenue
 Flint, MI 48507

RE: License #: DC250315810
 Investigation #: 2023D0125008
 Vern Van Y Elementary

Dear Dr. Summey:

I conducted a special investigation because the child care licensing division received information regarding your facility that related to licensing rules or law. The information was related to the following:

R 400.8125(1) Staff; volunteer; requirements

The details of the information are in the attached report. To investigate:

- I interviewed the program director, child care staff members, and parents.
- I completed on-site inspections on the following dates: 02/13/2023.

As a result of this investigation, I recommend no change to the current license status. I did not find any violations. The special investigation report is attached.

During this special investigation:	Yes	No
A rule or law violation was found and a serious injury or death occurred.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
A rule or law violation was found and abuse and/or neglect of a child occurred.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

This report and any related corrective action plans must be filed in your licensing notebook. This report and any related corrective action plans will be online for parents to review under the [Statewide Search for Licensed Child Care Centers and Homes](#).

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available, and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at (517) 284-9730.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Juli Gohl". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Juli" and last name "Gohl" clearly distinguishable.

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Enclosure

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
CHILD CARE LICENSING BUREAU
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**

THIS REPORT CONTAINS SEXUALLY EXPLICIT LANGUAGE

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	DC250315810
Investigation #:	2023D0125008
Complaint Receipt Date:	02/06/2023
Investigation Initiation Date:	02/09/2023
Report Due Date:	04/07/2023
Licensee Name:	Genesee Intermediate School District
Licensee Address:	2413 West Maple Avenue Flint, MI 48507
Licensee Telephone #:	(810) 591-5596
Administrator:	Latoya Summey
Licensee Designee:	Latoya Summey
Name of Facility:	Vern Van Y Elementary
Facility Address:	2400 Clarice Avenue Burton, MI 48519
Facility Telephone #:	(810) 591-8427
Original Issuance Date:	11/29/2011
License Status:	REGULAR
Effective Date:	05/29/2022
Expiration Date:	05/28/2024
Capacity:	144
Program Type:	CHILD CARE CENTER

II. ALLEGATION(S)

	Violation Established?
Child A (female, 3 years) reported to her mother that at the center on 01/31/2023 Child B (female, 4 years) crawled under the restroom stall and touched her vagina.	No

III. METHODOLOGY

02/01/2023	Contact – Telephone Call Received From program director Amanda Maynard
02/01/2023	Contact – Document Received Text message from Ms. Maynard
02/01/2023	Incident Report Received from Ms. Maynard
02/06/2023	Special Investigation Intake 2023D0125008
02/09/2023	Special Investigation Initiated - Telephone Interviewed Child A's Mother
02/13/2023	Inspection Completed On-site 12:55 pm - 3:15 pm Interviewed Ms. Maynard and child care staff members Kontiqueia Allen, LaShona Clark, Laquietta Tillis, and health technician Monica Giles.
02/16/2023	Contact – Telephone Call Made Interviewed Child B's Mother
03/20/2023	Exit Conference Email to Ms. Maynard

ALLEGATION: Child A (female, 3 years) reported to her mother that at the center on 01/31/2023 Child B (female, 4 years) crawled under the restroom stall and touched her vagina.

INVESTIGATION: On 02/01/2023, I received a telephone call from program director Amanda Maynard. Child A told her mother on the evening of 01/31/2023 that Child B had crawled under the restroom stall at the center and then touched her vagina. I advised Ms. Maynard to report the incident to the Michigan Department of Health

and Human Services (DHHS) and received a text message confirmation that she had. Later, I received a written incident report from Ms. Maynard.

On 02/09/2023, I interviewed Child A's Mother who stated that Child A told her on the evening of 01/31/2023 that earlier that day, a little girl at the center crawled under the bathroom stall and stuck her fingers into her vagina. Child A told her "She touched my butt," then pointed to her vagina. Child A's Mother explained that she calls her vagina her butt. She added that Child A's vagina was irritated and red and showed a picture of such to child care staff member (CCSM) LaShona Clark. When she came into the center on 02/01/2023 she notified the teachers in the room and later they met with Ms. Maynard. She did not take Child A for medical treatment. Child A still attends the center.

On 02/13/2023, I completed an unannounced onsite inspection at the center from 12:55 pm - 3:15 pm and interviewed Ms. Maynard and CCSM's Kontiqueia Allen, Ms. Clark, Laquetta Tillis, and health technician Monica Giles.

Ms. Maynard stated that Child A's Mother reported the incident to the center on 02/01/2023. Child A's Mother came into the center and asked to talk to someone and was referred to the teachers. Ms. Clark spoke to her in the foyer area of the center and then left to complete an errand and would be returning. At this time, Ms. Clark reported to Ms. Maynard that Child A's Mother said that Child B went under the bathroom stall and into Child A's stall and then touched her on her privates. When Child A's Mother returned to the center, Ms. Maynard, Ms. Clark, and Ms. Giles met with her in a separate room within the center, to further discuss the incident. Child A's Mother provided them with a written statement. She told Child A's Mother that she reported the incident to the department, and it was being investigated. She does not feel that the incident occurred at the center, as the CCSM's closely monitor the bathroom and can clearly see if children are not in their own stalls.

Ms. Allen works in the room with Child A and Child B. She never spoke to Child A's Mother about the incident and heard about it from Ms. Clark. She explained that the bathroom has 5 stalls in a single row. She took me to the bathroom and showed me the layout and area where the CCSM stands in the bathroom shows a clear view of all stalls and one can see the lower part of the child's legs and feet. A CCSM would clearly see if a child crawled under one of the stalls and into another stall. She accessed the application (Child Plus) that the center utilizes and confirmed that Child A arrived at 9:50 am on 01/31/2023. Therefore, Child A would have missed group bathroom time at 9:00 am. She would have gone to the bathroom by herself after breakfast. Child A didn't go with the group at lunch time, either, as she was eating slowly and went alone after the group. The first time that she would have gone to the bathroom with the group on 01/31/2023 was following afternoon snack. Ms. Tillis would have taken the group at that time. Ms. Allen added that Child A is very vocal when she is bothered, touched, or injured. She is comfortable with telling the CCSM's when another child says or does something to her. Child A will cry out if

hurt. If it had occurred, Child A and all of the other children would have notified the CCSM's as they do with everything. She clarified that all of the children in the room are currently going through a phase where they are "tattling" on each other about everything.

Ms. Clark is the lead caregiver in the room with Child A and Child B. She confirmed that she spoke with Child A's Mother in the foyer within the center and that is when she was notified of the incident and shown the picture, without knowing what it was. When Child A's Mother left the center, she notified Ms. Maynard of the incident. When Child A's Mother returned, she, Ms. Maynard, and Ms. Giles met with her in a separate room within the center. Child A's Mother reported that on 01/31/2023 Child A told her that Child B crawled under and entered her stall in the bathroom and then inserted her fingers into her vagina. After the meeting and Child A's Mother left, Ms. Clark returned to the class room and there has been no other discussions with Child A's Mother regarding the incident. Ms. Clark notified Ms. Allen and Ms. Tillis of the incident. She did not take Child A to the bathroom at all on 01/31/2023, as that is not something that she typically does, being the lead caregiver. She added that Child A verbalizes all concerns to the CCSM's. They monitor the children closely in the bathrooms and can see their feet and legs and would notice two sets under a stall. One of the children would have yelled out to them and let them know what was going on.

Ms. Tillis did not speak with Child A's Mother about the incident and was made aware of it from Ms. Clark. She confirmed that she took the children to the bathroom on 01/31/2023 and Child A and Child B were never in the stalls near one another and there were only two other children in there at the same time. She recalled that Child A and Child B were taking a long time and she had to prompt them a few times to finish. This entire time they were in separate stalls, as she saw their feet and legs in their own stalls. Child A exited her stall first and then Child B exited her stall. She is not aware of any other time on 01/31/2023 that the two were in the bathroom together.

Ms. Giles confirmed that she was in the meeting with Child A's Mother, Ms. Clark, and Ms. Maynard. She was asked by Ms. Maynard to be a part of the meeting, due to Child A's Mother showing Ms. Clark a picture of Child A's vagina. She did not view the picture. She does take children occasionally to the bathroom and confirmed that one can see their feet and lower legs beneath the stalls.

Ms. Maynard, Ms. Allen, Ms. Clark, Ms. Tillis, and Ms. Giles do not feel that the incident occurred at the center, as Child A would have definitely told them such.

Ms. Allen, Ms. Clark, and Ms. Tillis all stated that Child B has never done any unusual behavior in the bathroom. All of the children at times look under the stalls and the CCSM's redirect them and discuss bathroom rules in an attempt to correct the behavior. Bathroom time is closely monitored by the CCSM's.

Ms. Maynard, Ms. Allen, Ms. Clark, and Ms. Tillis all added that the center has implemented safety planning since the allegations. They began monitoring Child A and Child B, to limit their time near one another and do not allow them in stalls in the bathroom near each other.

On 02/16/2023 I interviewed Child B's other who stated that Ms. Maynard notified her of the incident. She confirmed that Child B has not reported anything to her about the incident nor has she ever exhibited these types of behavior.

APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.8125	Staff; volunteer; requirements.
	(1) All staff and volunteers shall provide appropriate care and supervision of children at all times.
ANALYSIS:	There is not enough evidence to determine if the incident occurred.
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION NOT ESTABLISHED

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend no change to the current license status.



03/28/2023

Juli Gohl
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



03/28/2023

Crecendra Boone
Area Manager

Date