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## REDACTED REPORT

September 14, 2022

Jami Young  
Lampe Enterprises, Inc.  
1500 Whitehall Rd. Ste. F  
Muskegon, MI 49445

RE: License #: DC610392593  
Investigation #: 2022D1073016  
Winter Sun Schoolhouse

Dear Ms. Young:

I conducted a special investigation because the child care licensing division received a complaint against your facility that related to licensing rules or law. The allegations were related to the following:

**R 400.8125(1) Staff and Volunteers.**

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

- I interviewed: the person who made the complaint, program director, licensee, licensee designee, caregivers, and parents.
- I completed on-site inspections on the following dates: 7/20/2022.

As a result of this investigation, I found the following violation(s):

**R 400.8125(1) Staff and Volunteers.**

**R 400.8158(2) Incident, accident, injury, illness, death, fire reporting.**

**R 400.8158(3) Incident, accident, injury, illness, death, fire reporting.**

I recommend no change to the current license status.

Due to the violations, you must send us a corrective action plan by 09/27/2022. You can use our [corrective action plan](#) form or create your own.

If you need help writing the corrective action plan, please contact me. If you do not send a corrective action plan, you may face disciplinary action. The corrective action plan must include the following:

- How compliance with each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific time frames for each violation as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- How continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- The signature of the responsible party and a date.

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"/>

You will be sent two copies of this report. One is **not for public disclosure** and one is a **redacted report**.

- The report marked **not for public disclosure** is for your records only. This copy may contain legally protected information. It must not be placed in your licensing notebook.

The report marked **redacted report** may have some legally protected information blacked out. The **redacted report** and any related corrective action plans must be placed in your licensing notebook. The **redacted 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](#).

Sincerely,



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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS  
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS  
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**

**I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION**

<b>License #:</b>	DC610392593
<b>Investigation #:</b>	2022D1073016
<b>Complaint Receipt Date:</b>	07/15/2022
<b>Investigation Initiation Date:</b>	07/20/2022
<b>Report Due Date:</b>	09/13/2022
<b>Licensee Name:</b>	Lampe Enterprises, Inc.
<b>Licensee Address:</b>	1500 Whitehall Rd. Ste. F Muskegon, MI 49445
<b>Licensee Telephone #:</b>	Unknown
<b>Administrator:</b>	Jami Young, Designee
<b>Licensee Designee:</b>	Jami Young, Designee
<b>Name of Facility:</b>	Winter Sun Schoolhouse
<b>Facility Address:</b>	5248 Henry Street Muskegon, MI 49441
<b>Facility Telephone #:</b>	(231) 414-8414
<b>Original Issuance Date:</b>	06/15/2018
<b>License Status:</b>	REGULAR
<b>Effective Date:</b>	12/15/2020
<b>Expiration Date:</b>	12/14/2022
<b>Capacity:</b>	100
<b>Program Type:</b>	CHILD CARE CENTER

**II. ALLEGATION(S)**

	<b>Violation Established?</b>
Child A (male, age 4) has asked other children to kiss their [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He has also asked other children to pull their pants down.	Yes
Additional Findings	Yes

**III. METHODOLOGY**

07/15/2022	Special Investigation Intake 2022D1073016
07/20/2022	Special Investigation Initiated - On Site
07/20/2022	Contact - Telephone call made Phone call to Norton Shores PD
07/22/2022	Contact - Document Sent Email sent to Ms. Taylor
08/26/2022	Contact - Telephone call made Spoke with Child A's Mother
09/06/2022	Inspection Completed-BCAL Sub. Compliance
	Exit Conference

**ALLEGATION:** Child A (male, age 4) has asked other children to kiss their [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He has also asked others to pull their pants down.

**INVESTIGATION:** When reviewing the complaint, [REDACTED]

On 7/20/2022, I completed an onsite inspection at the child care facility. I spoke with child care staff members Morgan Ralston, Barbara Bobinski, Onica McFallen, Sarah Komoelje, and Denelle Helms. In addition, I spoke with program director Cindy Taylor.

When speaking with Cindy Taylor, I indicated that we had received allegations that Child A had been asking others to play games where they would kiss one another's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that Child A had asked other children to take their pants off and that he had touched another child's [REDACTED] behind a bookshelf.

She stated that in the spring (later to identified as May 24<sup>th</sup>) she had been notified that Child A and Child C (female, age 4) were playing in the puppet theater area during free choice. They had gone behind the puppet theater and when the teacher went to observe what they were doing Child A was found with his pants down and a pineapple on his [REDACTED]. At that time, all parents were informed of the incident and teachers assumed it was an isolated event since Child A has been there since birth and never really had any other incidents.

Ms. Taylor stated on 7/1/2022 she received a message from Child B's Mother stating that Child B had come home and told her that Child A told Child B to pull his pants down when they were on the playground together. Ms. Taylor followed up with the teachers and it was reported that a teacher did observe the two going behind the fence, so she got up and went to see what they were doing. When she got over there, she asked them what they were doing and they stated "nothing." The teacher did not note anything happening.

On 7/8/2022, Ms. Taylor was notified that Child A and Child B were found behind the bookcase. She stated that Child A's Mother had been informed every time and during this third conversation suggested that they have a conversation with Child A's pediatrician to gain resources how to help Child A understand boundaries.

Ms. Taylor stated that after each incident steps were made to try and stop this behavior from happening. She stated staff were positioned on the playground to see blind spots created by fencing of a hazardous power line and over staff during outdoor play and centers. Child A and Child B had been moved to the Voyagers classroom in the spring due to their age, but Child A was placed back in the Navigators classroom because of ratio requirements being 1:8 versus 1:10 and smaller enrollment during the summer months.

Morgan Ralston has been working at the child care center since [REDACTED] and has always been assigned to the Voyagers classroom. She is aware of Child A, but has not seen him inappropriately act out towards another child. Ms. Ralston stated that one day Child A asked a couple kids to play doctor, but she redirected all of them. Ms. Ralston indicated about 2-3 weeks prior she had been told that a teacher should have an eye on Child A at all times and that Child A and Child B should be at separate centers during free play. Another Voyagers staff member had told her about this and that typically they just talk between the staff in the room to determine who has their eyes on Child A.

Barbara Bobinski is the lead teacher in the Navigator classroom. She had heard of all three incidents involving Child A but was only personally involved with the puppet

theater incident. She stated that the children were playing in centers and when she was doing her walk around, she observed Child A with his pants down and a pineapple toy covering his [REDACTED]. Child C was also back behind the theater. Ms. Bobinski identified Child A as a very sweet boy who tended to be a rule follower. She stated that he did have [REDACTED] and struggled with using the bathroom for bowel movements. She notified Ms. Taylor about the puppet show incident and let her contact the parents.

Ms. Bobinski stated that it was her understanding that Child A would be back in her classroom for now and that someone was to be watching him all the time. She has less students in her class than the Voyagers and always has another child care staff member in the room, so it is easier in her space.

Onica McFarland has worked with child care center on and off for many years but has been back at this campus since [REDACTED]. She stated that she is taking on a director role but has helped in the Voyagers classrooms when needed. Ms. McFarland knew Child B's parents had become concerned about Child A asking Child B to pull down his pants, so the two children were separated. Ms. McFarland has never witnessed any of these types of incidents with any children. She stated that the staff talks amongst themselves to see who is watching Child A outside and that someone is always in proximity.

Sarah Kornoelje interacts with Child A when classrooms combine at the end of the day due to numbers. She stated that Child A is a very sweet boy and that she has never witnessed any incidents in regards to Child A's behaviors but was made aware of them because of the combination at the end of the day and Child A requiring direct supervision. She stated that they do not make it obvious to the children, especially Child A, that he is being supervised but they talk amongst themselves as staff to be sure someone always knows where he is.

Denelle Helms has been with the child care facility for [REDACTED]. She stated that Child A was in her classrooms as a Pioneer and now she sees him outside at the end of the day. One day recently she witnessed Child A walk up to a little girl that was laying on her stomach in the sandbox and he pulled up her pants to look down them at her [REDACTED]. Ms. Helms recalled during the week of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July that she saw him and another little girl go behind a fence. Another child care staff member, Amber Moser, went around the back of the fence and she went around the front way to see what they were doing. When they got back there, Child A had his pants down. When I asked Ms. Helms what protocol has been put in place since these incidents occurred, she stated that staff are to keep an eye on Child A at all times. She stated that they will just say to one another "do you have Child A?" and someone always does. He is a very sweet kid and they do not make it obvious that they are following him around.

After speaking with all the child care staff members present at the child care center that care for Child A, Ms. Taylor provided me with all other child care staff members

phone numbers that were not present that may care for him as well. She also showed me the playground, specifically the blind spot where Child A was found. The fence must be in this placement as there is a power pole in the middle of their play space that is fenced off to keep children safe.

Ms. Taylor and I discussed R.400.8125 (1) at length and the requirement of the center to always provide appropriate care and supervision to children, even if the child is experiencing behaviors such as Child A. She stated that they have tried working with Child A's Mother on resources and have implemented increased supervision to try and keep him enrolled at the center but may have to reevaluate if they can provide appropriate care to him at this time.

Ms. Taylor and I also discussed the requirement to verbally contact their licensing consultant within 24 hours of inappropriate contact and written within 72 hours. I did not have my licensing rule book on me during this visit and wanted to be specific as the wording of the rule as Ms. Taylor did not recall this requirement, I followed up on 7/22/2022 with an email citing the R 400.8158(2)(b). Ms. Taylor indicated she would pass the information along to the entire admin team of the child care center as they have three other sites.

I was contacted by Child A's Mother on two separate occasions, I reached back out to her and apologized in the delayed response. She stated that she had been passed my number for licensee designee, Jami Young. Child A's Mother was very upset and stated that the center had told her that they could no longer care for her son due to his behavioral issues that she believes are part of his development. I explained to Child A's Mother that the bureau requires that the child care center is in compliance with all licensing rules at all times, including supervision and appropriate care. That although everyone involved does not believe her child is acting out maliciously against other children, he has shown or asked to see private parts on several occasions. The child care center attempted to stop the behavior with increased supervision but were unable to prevent it from happening. Unfortunately, when things like this occur a violation is established, and the center is required to provide a corrective action plan. If they cannot implement this plan by always providing appropriate care, they could receive disciplinary action. The center recognized that due to their setting and ratio requirements they could not meet the needed of Child A and did not want to risk not being able to follow through on the required corrective action plan, so they had to terminate him from care. Child A's Mother was upset as this is the only child care her son has known and she needs the care to be able to work.

<b>APPLICABLE RULE</b>	
<b>R 400.8125</b>	<b>Staff; volunteer; requirements.</b>
	<b>(1) All staff and volunteers shall provide appropriate care and supervision of children at all times.</b>


<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	Child A was involved in three incidents of inappropriate contact with other children in care. The child care staff members all indicated being aware of the first incident, second incident and third incident. Discussion was held around having direct supervision of Child A at all times but he was able to find blind spots in the supervision to have second and third incidents of inappropriate contact.
<b>CONCLUSION:</b>	<b>VIOLATION ESTABLISHED</b>

<b>APPLICABLE RULE</b>	
<b>R 400.8158</b>	<b>Incident, accident, injury, illness, death, fire reporting.</b>
	<b>(2) A licensee, licensee designee, or program director shall report to the child's parent and the department, directly or via phone, fax, or email, within 24 hours of the occurrence of any of the following:</b> <b>(b) An incident involving an allegation of inappropriate contact.</b>
<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	The child care center did not verbally contact the department within 24 hours of any of the incidents of allegations of inappropriate contact.
<b>CONCLUSION:</b>	<b>VIOLATION ESTABLISHED</b>

<b>APPLICABLE RULE</b>	
<b>R 400.8158</b>	<b>Incident, accident, injury, illness, death, fire reporting.</b>
	<b>(3) A center shall submit a written report to the department of the occurrences outlined in subrule (1) and (2) of this rule in a format provided by the department within 72 hours of the verbal report to the department.</b>
<b>ANALYSIS:</b>	The child care center did not contact the department within 72 hours of any of the incidents of allegations of inappropriate contact in a written report.
<b>CONCLUSION:</b>	<b>VIOLATION ESTABLISHED</b>

**IV. RECOMMENDATION**

Upon receipt of an acceptable corrective plan, I recommend no change in license status.



9/14/2022

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Tarah Kline  
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



9/14/2022

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Candice Case-French  
Area Manager

Date