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Inspection Report

Provider Name: Imaginations Abound Early Learning Center, LLC	Provider Information Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I	License No: L383362
Provider Address: 9261 Alexandria Pike, Alexandria, KY, 41001		Capacity: 49
Owner(s): Imaginations Abound LLC		Director(s): Rice, Mary Patricia

Inspection Type: Investigation	Inspection Information	Inspection No: 216196
Visit Start Date: 07/01/2016 2:20 PM	Visit End Date: 07/01/2016 4:30 PM	
	No. of Children Present: 11	

Inspection Report

Supervision

5 - Children Supervised

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 2. Child Care Services.

- (3)(a) Each center shall maintain a child-care program that assures each child will be:**
- 1. Provided with adequate supervision at all times by a qualified staff person who:**
 - a. Ensures the child is within scope of vision and range of voice; or**
 - b. For a school-age child, within scope of vision or range of voice;**

Findings:

General: Based on Interview, on July 1, 2016 at approximately 10:50 a.m. a four-year-old child exited the building and made his way to the busy highway in front of the building where he was recovered by passersby. The child is four years old but according to staff, he is nonverbal and sometimes experiences distress when he is with the older children. The staff explained that he is more easily calmed down when he is in the infant room and that he enjoys playing with infant toys. On the day of the incident, the child was in the infant room when the preschool staff person arrived at the center at 9:30 a.m.. He was still in the infant room as the preschool staff prepared to take the other preschool children from the gross motor room on the lower level of the building to their classroom on the top level of the building at 10:50 a.m.. The preschool teacher stated that there were six (6) children in her group and some of them had left their shoes in the two and three (2 and 3) year old room so they stopped in this classroom on the main level on their way back to their classroom. The staff person stated that she had been told by the staff person in charge that the four-year-old had to return to her preschool group but he had not yet returned when she was in the two and three (2 and 3) year old room, so she yelled to ask where he was. The staff person in charge responded that he had already been sent to the preschool group but the preschool staff stated he was not with her at that time. The preschool staff said that he has a history of leaving the group to go to the preschool bathroom and flush things down the toilet. She immediately ran up the stairs to that room but he was not there. She then ran back to the main floor and noticed that the side door was open. This door is through the kitchen and office area and not typically used by the children. At the same time she noticed the door, she heard a car horn. She ran out the side door and down to the road. There were two (2) individuals holding the child. They passed the child off to the preschool staff and she stated that she just ran back into the building with the child. The staff person explained that the child was not crying and did not appear upset. She said that she, herself was crying and the child patted her in an attempt to comfort her. The police came to the center as they had apparently been called by someone other than a center employee and were there when the director arrived at the center. The director stated the police did not talk to the staff and did not leave a report. The child's mother was called and he was picked up by her around 1:30 p.m.. The individuals who found the child were interviewed. The driver of a car reported she observed the child on the edge of the road so stopped her car to assure the child's safety. The child ran from her and another individual who had stopped to assist. The driver of a semi-truck indicated he was slowing down his vehicle as he saw cars stopped ahead. He then saw the child in the road and stopped quickly as he swerved to miss the child. It is important to note that this road is a major thoroughfare with a speed limit of 55 miles per hour.

Staffing Requirements

40 - Ratios and Group Size

In Compliance

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922 KAR 2:120. Section 2. Child Care Services.

(2) Minimum staff-to-child ratios and group size for an operating child-care center shall be maintained as follows:

Age of Children Ratio Maximum Group Size*

Infant

1 staff for 5 children 10

Toddler

1 staff for 6 children 12

Preschool-age 2 to 3 years

1 staff for 10 children 20

Preschool-age 3 to 4 years

1 staff for 12 children 24

Preschool-age 4 to 5 years

1 staff for 14 children 28

School-age 5 to 7 years

1 staff for 15 children 30

School-age 7 and older

1 staff for 25 children

(for before and after school) 30

1 staff for 20 children

(full day of care) 30

*Maximum Group Size shall be applicable only to Type I child-care centers.

Director Requirements

265 - Health, Safety, Comfort

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:110. Section 4. Director Requirements and Responsibilities.

(1) Effective with the adoption of this administrative regulation, a director shall:

(I) Provide for the health, safety, and comfort of each child;

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Programming

410 - Infant/Toddler Combined with Older Children

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120. Section 5. Infant and Toddler Play Requirements.

(2) Except in accordance with subsection (3) of this section, an infant or toddler shall participate in an activity with an older child for no more than one (1) hour per day.

Findings:

General: Based on Interview, a four-year old child was combined with the children in the infant room for at least an hour and twenty minutes. The child was four years old but is nonverbal and sometimes experiences distress when he is with the older children. The staff explained that he is more easily calmed down when he is in the infant room and that he enjoys playing with infant toys. He was in the infant room when the preschool staff person arrived at the center at 9:30 a.m.. He was still in the infant room as the preschool staff prepared to take the other preschool children from the large motor room on the lower level of the building to their classroom on the top level of the building at 10:50 a.m..

Signature of
Provider/Representative

Title

Date