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Inspection Report

Provider Name: North Star Academy	Provider Information	License No: L356798
Provider Address: 1816 Bryan Station Road, Lexington, KY, 40505	Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I	Capacity: 84
Owner(s): NORTH STAR ACADEMY, LLC		Director(s): Jackson, Bonnie

Inspection Type: Investigation	Inspection Information	Inspection No: 107058
Visit Start Date: 08/20/2014 10:00 AM	Visit End Date: 08/21/2014 12:00 PM	
	No. of Children Present: 24	

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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 and review of documentation, children were dropped off on the front porch of Northern Elementary School and left without supervision to wait for the doors of the school to open. On 8/18/14 there were six (6) children dropped off and on 8/19/14 there were five (5) children dropped off. Both days the drop off time was 7:45 AM as recorded by the driver. The children then had to wait for ten (10) minutes for the doors of the school to open at 7:55 AM. The van driver stated that there were people entering the building so he assumed the children could also enter the building. He did not wait for the children to be inside the building before driving away. Interview with Northern Elementary School personnel confirmed the doors of the school are not open to receive children until 7:55 AM.

Director Requirements

250 - Staff Management/Policy Development/Supervision

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:**
- (e) Manage the staff in their individual job descriptions;**
 - (f) Develop child-care center plans, policies, and procedures;**
 - (g) Supervise staff conduct to ensure implementation of program policies and procedures;**

Findings:

General: Based on Review of Documentation, the facility's transportation policy states that "all vans picking up children will have a monitor on the van, in addition to the driver." However, interviews and documentation regarding the transportation routes involved in this investigation found that only a driver was present with the children on the van.

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:**
- (l) Provide for the health, safety, and comfort of each child;**

Findings:

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, on 8/18/14 at 3:42 PM seven (7) children were picked up from Northern Elementary School in a Dodge Grand Caravan. This is a six (6) passenger minivan. Therefore, one (1) child had to sit in the front seat of the van and two (2) children had to share a seat belt. The child placed in the front seat was nine (9) years and eleven (11) months old. The van was observed and there is a warning located on the driver and passenger side sun visors which states that a child can be killed or seriously injured by the air bag.

Inspection Report**Transportation****840 - Seatbelts for Each Occupant****Not In Compliance****922 KAR 2:120. Section 12. Transportation.****(6) A vehicle used to transport children shall meet the following requirements:****(c) A vehicle shall be equipped with seat belts for each occupant to be individually secured.****Findings:**

General: Based on interview and review of documentaion on 8/18/14 at 3:42 PM seven (7) children were picked up from Northern Elementary School in a Dodge Grand Caravan. This is a six (6) passenger minivan. Therefore, this vehicle is equipped with only six (6) seatbelts (not including the driver). The driver stated that three (3) children were placed in the second row of seats that is equipped with two (2) seat belts. Two (2) children in this row of seats used the same seat belt.

865 - Seating**Not In Compliance****922 KAR 2:120. Section 12. Transportation.****(10) Each child shall:****(a) Have a seat;****(b) Be individually belted or harnessed in the seat; and****(c) Remain seated while the vehicle is in motion.****Findings:**

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, on 8/18/14 at 3:42 PM seven (7) children were picked up from Northern Elementary School in a Dodge Grand Caravan. This is a six (6) passenger minivan. The second row of seats has two (2) seat belts. Three (3) children were seated in this row. Two (2) children did not have an individual seat or seat belt but had to share.

870 - Child Unattended**Not In Compliance****922 KAR 2:120. Section 12. Transportation.****(11) A child shall not be left unattended:****(a) At the site of aftercare delivery; or****(b) In a vehicle.****Findings:**

General: Based on interview and review of documentation, children were dropped off on the front porch of Northern Elementary School and left without supervision to wait for the doors of the school to open. On 8/18/14 there were six (6) children dropped off and on 8/19/14 there were five (5) children dropped off. Both days the drop off time was 7:45 AM. There were school staff entering the building but the school does not accept children until 7:55 AM. Therefore, the children were not under the care of a designated adult for the ten (10) minutes they had to wait for the doors of the school to be unlocked.

Signature of
Provider/Representative

Title

Date