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Inspection Report

Provider Name: Southern Hills Early Childhood Program	Provider Information Provider Type: LICENSED TYPE I	License No: L354537
Provider Address: 2356 Harrodsburg Road, Lexington, KY, 40503		Capacity: 158
Owner(s): Southern Hills United Methodist Church, Inc.		Director(s): Fuqua, Ann

Inspection Type: Investigation	Inspection Information	Inspection No: 9844
Visit Start Date: 05/09/2012 8:50 AM	Visit End Date: 05/09/2012 11:50 AM	
	No. of Children Present: 120	

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Supervision

167 - Children supervised/Protected

922 KAR 2:120 - Section 2 (3)

(a) Each center shall maintain a child care program that assures each child will be:

- 1. Provided adequate supervision at all times; and**
- 2. Protected from abuse or neglect.**

1) Adequately supervised at all times

Not In Compliance

Findings:

General: Based on Interview, the facility failed to provide for adequate supervision.

1. During a complaint investigation administrative staff acknowledged that a five (5) year old child received injuries to his face (scratches, abrasions, bruising) while in their care on 5/2/12. The two (2) staff identified as being present with the child when the injuries occurred stated that they did not observe the child get hurt and indicated that they were not aware of the child being injured until the day after the incident when it was brought to their attention by administrative staff. The child told the DCBS Worker during interview that another five (5) year old child slapped him in the face and pushed him off a piece of playground equipment and he fell into the mulch. The child also told the DCBS Worker that he told his teacher what happened after he got hurt. The time of the incident was identified as sometime between 2:30PM - 3:00PM on 5/2/12 and the child was present at the facility until 4:00PM on this day. Staff interview revealed that on the day of the incident four (4) staff went out on the playground with children in the Pre K 1 and Pre K 2 classrooms from 2:30PM - 3:00PM; however, staff indicated that there were only two (2) staff present with the children at some point during this time frame. Staff stated that a staff person from Pre K 2 escorted a child inside to use the bathroom during this time frame and a staff person from Pre K 1 went inside the building for an unknown reason at the same time. A review of the facility attendance records found that thirty-two (32) children (four (4) and five (5) year olds) were present on the playground during this time frame.

2. One (1) staff person stated during interview while working in the Pre K 2 classroom on 5/2/12, he stepped out of the classroom to take a personal phone call. The regulations define adequate supervision as meaning that a qualified staff person devotes full-time attention to a child in care and ensures the child is within scope of vision and range of voice. This staff person was not providing adequate supervision during the time frame he was on his personal cell phone.

Director Requirements

118 - Health, Safety, Comfort

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:110 - Section 4 (1)

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

Findings:

General: Based on Interview, the facility failed to provide for the health, safety and comfort of each child. During a complaint investigation administrative staff acknowledged that a five (5) year old child received injuries to his face (scratches, abrasions, bruising) while in their care on 5/2/12. The two (2) staff identified as being present with the child when the injuries occurred stated that they did not observe the child get hurt and indicated that they were not aware of the child being injured until the day after the incident when it was brought to their attention by administrative staff. The child told the DCBS Worker during interview that he was pushed off a piece of playground equipment by another child and got hurt when he landed in the mulch. The child also told the DCBS Worker that he told his teacher what happened. The time of the incident was identified as sometime between 2:30PM - 3:00PM on 5/2/12 and the child was present at the facility until 4:00PM on this day.

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Outdoor Play Area - Staffing Requirements

162 - Ratios and Group Size

Not In Compliance

922 KAR 2:120 - Section 2

(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

2 to 3 years 1 staff for 10 children 20

3 to 4 years 1 staff for 12 children 24

4 to 5 years 1 staff for 14 children 28

5 to 7 years 1 staff for 15 children 30

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 centers.

Findings:

General: Based on Interview, with staff during a complaint investigation it was revealed that on 5/2/12 four (4) staff went out on the playground with children in the Pre K 1 and Pre K 2 classrooms from 2:30PM - 3:00PM; however, staff indicated that there were only two (2) staff present with the children at some point during this time frame. Staff stated that a staff person from Pre K 2 escorted a child inside to use the bathroom during this time frame and a staff person from Pre K 1 went inside the building for an unknown reason at the same time. A review of the facility attendance records found that thirty-two (32) children (four (4) and five (5) year olds) were present on the playground during this time frame. The facility exceeded the staff/child ratio by four (4) children and the group size by four (4) children, during the time frame that there was only two (2) staff present with the children. However, the facility exceeded the group size by four (4) children during the entire time frame (2:30PM - 3:00PM).

Signature of
Provider/Representative

Title

Date