

State of New Jersey
Department of Children and Families

Office of Licensing

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COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION SUMMARY REPORT

Complaint # 886

Name of Center: Rainbow Child Care Center			Name of Sponsor/Board President: REE Midwest, Inc.		
Street: 1422 Easton Avenue			Street: 1422 Easton Avenue		
City: Somerset	State: NJ	Zip: 08873	City: Somerset	State: NJ	Zip: 08873
Phone: (732) 249-5437	County: Somerset		License Status: Regular 4/28/2021	Date Allegation(s) Received: 10/11/2018	Date(s) Investigation Conducted: 10/15/2018

ALLEGATIONS	FINDINGS	RESULTS
1. Lack of credentialed staff: The center director may not have the required work experience and may not be present at the center for 50% of the operating hours.	1. At the time of the investigation, the current OOL approved and credentialed director was present at the center. Interviews with the director and staff indicated that the director is present at the center at least 50% of the center's daily operating hours. Further interviews and a review of documentation revealed that all credentialed staff, including the director have the proper education and experience requirements and are present at the center daily as required. As a result of interview and documentation, this allegation could not be substantiated.	<u>1. Unsubstantiated</u>
2. Inadequate staff/child ratios: In the morning, there were nine toddlers and one staff.	2. At the time of the investigation, adequate staff/child ratios were maintained throughout the center, including in the toddler classroom. However, interviews with the director and staff and a review of documentation revealed that adequate staff/child ratios were not maintained during the summer months. Further interviews and documentation confirmed that the center took corrective action and adequate staff/child ratios have been maintained since September 2018. The center needs to ensure that adequate staff/child ratios are maintained at all times. Although this allegation is substantiated a violation was cited and abated due to the center's corrective action.	<u>2. Substantiated</u>
3. Inadequate procedures for center management: The center management may be allowing unauthorized persons to have access to the center and leaving them unsupervised at the center.	3. At the time of the investigation, adequate procedures by center management were observed and no unauthorized persons were left unsupervised or had free access to the center. Interviews with the director and staff denied the allegation and indicated that they had no knowledge of any incident, wherein an unauthorized person was unescorted or permitted access to the center for any	<u>3. Unsubstantiated</u>

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	reason. Further interviews indicated that the doors remain locked at all times and unauthorized individuals are not permitted in the building without an escort. As a result of observation and interview, this allegation could not be substantiated.	
4. Unsafe conditions: Chemicals are within the reach of the children.	4. At the time of the investigation, safe conditions were not maintained throughout the center. Although all chemicals were properly stored and inaccessible to the children, staff's personal belongings and adult scissors were accessible to the children in two classrooms. Violations were cited and abated due to staff removing the items from children's access during the inspection. The center needs to ensure that safe conditions are maintained at all times.	4. Substantiated

<p>OBSERVATION AT THE CENTER REVEALED THAT THE CENTER:</p> <p>Is free of imminent hazards/risk of harm: Yes Has adequate supervision: Yes Meets staff/child ratio requirements: Yes Is operating within licensed capacity: Yes</p>	<p>As a result of this inspection 3 violation(s) applicable to the allegations were cited and 4 additional violation(s) were cited.</p>
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