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Provider Name LITTLE PROMISES UNIVERSITY

Provider ID 016597880

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Provider Contact Nancy Morrison

The items listed below are those that the provider was not in compliance with at the time of the inspection.

Compliance Plan Action #1

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:37

Center and school-age programs operating outside of a school building shall follow applicable construction and fire safety requirements, as outlined in chapters 61:15:05 and 61:15:06. School-age programs operating in a school building shall follow applicable construction and fire safety requirements, as outlined in chapters 61:15:01, 61:15:02, and 61:15:07.

A family day care home must have the following fire safety measures in place:

- (1) A working smoke detector must be located on each level of the home;
- (2) A fully charged, portable fire extinguisher, with a minimum 2A rating, as identified on the extinguisher label, must be kept in or within fifteen feet of the kitchen or food preparation area;
- (3) A carbon monoxide detector must be installed, according to the manufacturer's instructions, if a fuel burning appliance is present in the home;
- (4) Each level of the home must have at least two remote exits that shall remain clear of obstructions. One of these exits must be a standard-sized door, and the other may be either a standard-sized door or an unobstructed, operable window, having at least five square feet of openable space, with a minimum width of twenty inches and a minimum height of twenty-four inches; and
- (5) Whenever a portable space heater, a wood burning stove, or a fireplace is in use, the heater, stove, or fireplace must be inaccessible to children.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

Fire alarm system was last tagged and inspected in 2022. Program did not have any other documentation readily available.

Fire sprinkler system was last tagged for annual inspection in 2023; had documentation of corrected deficiencies in 2024.

Corrections to be Made:

Program will have the fire alarm system and the fire sprinkler system inspected by a qualified service technician and

submit proof to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

Program had the fire alarm system and the fire sprinkler system inspected by a qualified service technician and submitted the report to OLA. There was a delay with the company doing the inspection and repair; all is corrected and properly working.

Anticipated Completion Date:
May 30, 2025

Date Completed:
July 02, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #2

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:33

A provider shall meet the following requirements regarding bathrooms:

- (1) Bathroom facilities must be easily accessible by children and providers;
- (2) Hot water for faucets normally used by children in care may not exceed one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit;
- (3) Toilets and hand sinks must be kept clean and in good repair; and
- (4) For child care centers and school-age programs:
 - (a) All bathrooms must have natural or mechanical ventilation;
 - (b) Separate bathrooms must be available for males and females;
 - (c) Ratios for toilet and hand sinks must align with the minimum standards for plumbing and plumbing systems published by the plumbing commission.

Except in a family day care, hand sinks must be in the same room, or an unobstructed room adjacent to the diaper changing area. A handwashing sink used after diapering and toileting may not be used for food preparation.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

Program had multiple hand sinks that were out of paper towels.

Program had a bottle used for measuring milk and a thawing bowl located at back of bathroom hand sink in one of the classrooms.

Program had breast pump supplies stored drying on top of paper towels on a plastic drawer storage in one of the classrooms.

Corrections to be Made:

Program will need to restock paper towels in all bathrooms and ensure a plan is in place to keep stocked.

Program will need to remove bottles and thawing bowl from bathroom sink. An approved written plan for relocating thawing bottles is to be to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Program will need to remove breast pump supplies and make inaccessible to children. An approved written plan for relocation of storage for supplies is to be submitted to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

Program restocked the paper towels in all bathrooms and submitted an approved plan on keeping restocked.

Program removed the bottles and thawing bowl from bathroom sink and submitted an approved plan on where bottles used for milk will be thawed.

Program removed breast pump supplies, made them inaccessible to children and submitted an approved plan on where breast pump supplies will be stored.

Anticipated Completion Date:

April 23, 2025

Date Completed:

April 16, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #3

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:25

All equipment, utensils, kitchenware, dining tables, and food contact surfaces of equipment must be washed, rinsed, and sanitized after each meal. Toys capable of being placed in a child's mouth must be cleaned and sanitized daily, using a solution approved by the department.

All providers, program employees, and children shall wash their hands with soap, before preparing food or beverages, eating, handling food, or feeding a child, and after changing a diaper, using the toilet, helping a child use a toilet, or coming into contact with bodily fluid.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

It was observed that an employee did not wash hands after helping a child clean up from an accident.

Children did not wash hands when coming inside and sitting down for lunch.

Corrections to be Made:

Program will submit an approved written policy for hand-washing to ensure employees and children are washing their hands with soap before preparing food or beverages, eating, handling food or feeding a child, and after changing a diaper, using the toilet, helping a child use a toilet, or coming into contact with bodily fluid.

Corrections Made:

Program submitted an approved policy on hand-washing to ensure employees and children are washing their hands with soap before preparing food or beverages, eating, handling food or feeding a child, and after changing a diaper, using the toilet, helping a child use a toilet, or coming into contact with bodily fluid.

Anticipated Completion Date:

April 23, 2025

Date Completed:

April 16, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #4

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:44

All toxic or hazardous substances must be:

- (1) Inaccessible to children;
- (2) Used according to manufacturer's instructions;
- (3) Stored in the original or other labeled container; and
- (4) Disposed of according to manufacturer recommendations.

Bio-contaminants must be handled and disposed of properly.

Soiled diapers must be changed promptly, in a designated area, on a non-porous surface. The diaper changing area must be clean and disinfected with a sanitizing solution approved by the department. Soiled diapers must be kept in a leakproof, nonabsorbent container that is covered with a tight-fitting lid.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

Diaper changing pad in one of the classroom bathrooms has damage/holes in top surface.
Two classrooms had disinfecting wipes accessible to the children.

Corrections to be Made:

Program to replace the diaper changing pad that is damaged, then submit documentation to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Program to remove the disinfecting wipes making them inaccessible to children, then submit an approved written plan on keeping supplies inaccessible to children to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation .

Corrections Made:

Program replaced the diaper changing pad that was damaged.

Program moved the disinfecting wipes making them inaccessible to children and submitted an approved written plan demonstrating cleaning supplies are not accessible to children.

Anticipated Completion Date:

April 23, 2025

Date Completed:

April 16, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #5

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:40

A pet, while permitted in the presence of children receiving care, must be current with its vaccinations, and have clean and sanitary living areas, at all times.

A pet with a history of aggressive behavior, which poses a risk to the safety of children, must be confined and kept away from children.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

Program did not have updated pet vaccines available.

Corrections to be Made:

Program will need to submit current pet vaccines to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

Program submitted current pet vaccines to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Anticipated Completion Date:

April 23, 2025

Date Completed:

April 16, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #6

Administrative Rule:

67:42:17:35

Playgrounds for all child care settings must be safe, in good repair, and free of debris, trash, and weeds. Playground equipment must be installed according to the manufacturer’s instructions and maintained in good repair.

For a center program, a fence that measures at least four feet high is required around the center’s outdoor play space.

For a family day care or school-age program, a fence that measures at least forty-two inches high may be required to separate the outdoor play space, if the department determines a body of water, vehicular traffic, or other hazard poses a risk of injury or death to a child.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

There was a broken/jagged board on playground's empty sandbox.

Corrections to be Made:

Program to repair or remove the broken/jagged board on the playground's empty sandbox, then submit documentation to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Corrections Made:

Program repaired the broken/jagged board on the playground's empty sandbox, then submitted pictures showing compliance to the Office of Licensing & Accreditation.

Anticipated Completion Date:

April 23, 2025

Date Completed:

April 16, 2025

Your signature below certifies you have read and understand the non-compliance findings and agree to make corrections to be compliant with the identified administrative rules.

Nancy K Morrison

Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

April 09, 2025

Date

The Department of Social Services, Office of Licensing and Accreditation has reviewed and accepted the above plan.

Andrea Neff

Printed Name of DSS Staff



Signature of DSS Staff:

April 09, 2025

Date
