

Date Issued	July 31, 2025	Status	Closed
Provider Name	KIDZ COTTAGE LEARNING CENTER		
Provider ID	018042960		
Provider Address	1100 S Main St, Lennox, SD 57039, USA		
Provider Contact	Kalie Hanisch		

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:

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A provider shall meet the physical, social, emotional, and cognitive needs of a child, and identify procedures to implement behavior management strategies for use with children in care. Behavior management strategies must offer limits, with positive guidance and direction, to help a child develop self-control and respect for the rights of others, be appropriate to a child's age and developmental level, and include strategies to prevent shaken baby syndrome and abusive head trauma.

A behavior management strategy may not be delegated to an older child or peer. Separation, when used as a strategy, must be within sight or hearing of a provider.

The parent of a child may not, while working at the program, use a prohibited discipline technique to discipline the parent's child.

The following methods of discipline are prohibited:

- (1) Spanking, hitting, pinching, biting, shaking, or inflicting any other physical punishment;
- (2) Verbal abuse, shouting, threats, humiliation, or derogatory or sarcastic remarks about the child or the child's family;
- (3) Restriction of movement or confinement;
- (4) Isolating a child in an adjacent room, hallway, closet, darkened area, or any other area where a child cannot be seen or supervised;
- (5) Punishment for lapses in toilet training;
- (6) Withholding or forcing of meals, snacks, naps, or outdoor time to correct behavior;
- (7) Demanding excessive physical exercise or excessive rest; and
- (8) Placing substances in a child's mouth to cause discomfort such as soap, food, or spices.

A provider who is under investigation for abuse and neglect may not be in a caregiving role, if the department determines there is an imminent safety concern to a child in the provider's care.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

During a complaint investigation conducted by the Office of Licensing & Accreditation on April 22, 2025, it was determined that a provider used an inappropriate image as a behavioral management tool by displaying it to a child in an attempt to encourage desired behavior. Additionally, a preschool-aged child was placed in a crib as a means of discipline.

*This non-compliance led to a serious injury involving a child in care.

Corrections to be Made:

All providers shall meet the physical, social, emotional, and cognitive needs of a child, and identify appropriate procedures to implement behavior management strategies for use with children in care.

Corrections Made:

The provider is no longer employed with the program. A corrective action plan has been implemented, and the Office of Licensing & Accreditation will continue to monitor the program for compliance. Additionally, the program is currently receiving training and technical assistance from Sanford Children’s CHILD Services.

Anticipated Completion Date:
July 31, 2025

Date Completed:
May 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.

Kalie Hanisch

Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

May 16, 2025

Date

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

Teri Pieters

Printed Name of DSS Staff



Signature of DSS Staff:

May 22, 2025

Date