



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Child Care Facility Inspection Report

EDUCARE PRESCHOOL FLOWOOD

License #: 8627

Director: LUTAYA STEWART

Inspection Date: 05/19/2026

Follow-Up Inspection

Inspector: Alicia Davis

Program Administration Violations Cited

1. **Out of Compliance:** All staff members have mandatory 15 contact hours on file (no more than five hours of in-house training may be provided by the child care facility. Acceptable topics for training may include: (a) health and safety, (b) child growth and development, (c) nutrition, (d) planning learning activities, (e) discipline, (f) linkages with community services, (g) communications with families, (h) detection of child abuse, (i) advocacy for early childhood programs, (j) professional issues. (Rule 1.5.8 Page 25)

Plan of Correction

1. **POC:** The director provided updated MSDH 121 forms and applications for all students and staff. Technical assistance provided: Rule 1.4.8 Prevention of Shaken Baby Syndrome and Abusive Head Trauma Rule: 1.4.9 Emergency Preparedness and Evacuation Planning. The director was provided with a reference guide via email to assist with completing the policy and procedures. The director was encouraged to review the reference to ensure all required policies and procedures are properly completed in accordance with regulations. The director will develop a plan and policy which will be maintained in a binder, and completed by May 31, 2026.
Person Responsible: Director **Date for Completion:** May 19, 2026

Infant Classroom Violations Cited

Infant - Classroom Number: 5

1. **Out of Compliance:** Proper staff to child ratio maintained. (Rule 1.8.1 Page 37)

Infant Classroom - Classroom Number: 5

1. **POC:** Based on observation the facility failed to maintain the correct staff to child ratio. There were 11 infants with 2 caregivers. The required staff to child ratio for infants children is 5:1; therefore, the classroom was over the ratio by one child. This was corrected by moving one child to another classroom.
Person Responsible: Director **Date for Completion:** May 26, 2026

Toddler Classroom Violations Cited

One - Classroom Number: 1

1. **Out of Compliance:** Proper staff to child ratio maintained. (Rule 1.8.1)
2. **Out of Compliance:** Proper room capacity maintained. (Rule 1.11.2)

Toddler Classroom - Classroom Number: 1

1. **POC:** 1. Based on observation the facility failed to maintain the correct staff to child ratio. There were 11 one-year-old children with 1 caregiver. The required staff to child ratio for one-year-old children is 9:1; therefore, the classroom was over the ratio by 2 children. This was corrected by moving two children to another classroom. 2. This classroom was measured for a capacity of 10 children. Licensing official observed 11 children present in the classroom, resulting in the classroom being over capacity by 1 child. This was corrected by moving 2 of the children into a classroom with the director.

Person Responsible: Owner-Director **Date for Completion:** May 10, 2026

Twos Classroom Violations Cited

Two - Classroom Number: 2

1. **Out of Compliance:** Proper staff to child ratio maintained. (Rule 1.8.1 Page 37)
2. **Out of Compliance:** Proper room capacity maintained. (Rule 1.11.2 Page 53)

Twos Classroom - Classroom Number: 2

1. **POC:** 1. Based on observation the facility failed to maintain the correct staff to child ratio. There were 13 two-year-old children with 1 caregiver. The required staff to child ratio for two-year-old children is 12:1 ;therefore, the classroom was over the ratio by 1 child. This was corrected by moving two children to a classroom with the director. 2. This classroom was measured for a capacity of 11 children. Licensing official observed 13 children present in the classroom, resulting in the classroom being over capacity by 2 children. This was corrected by moving 2 of the children into a classroom with the director.

Person Responsible: Director-Owner **Date for Completion:** May 26, 2026

Preschool Classroom Violations Cited

Three - Classroom Number: 3

1. **Out of Compliance:** Proper room capacity maintained. (Rule 1.11.2 Page 53)

Preschool Classroom - Classroom Number: 3

1. **POC:** This classroom was measured for a capacity of 10 children. Licensing official observed 18 children present in the classroom room, resulting in the classroom being over capacity by 8 children. There were 2 staff present in the classroom. The director stated the two preschool classrooms were combined during rest time to allow the other preschool teacher to assist in the infant classroom. The director further stated that one staff member quit on today without notifying her directly, but instead sent a text message to another employee stating she would not be returning. This was corrected by moving the children back to their assigned classroom. Director stated she would submit the text message via email to the licensing official.

Person Responsible: Director **Date for Completion:** May 19, 2026

General Notes

Please note that in the revised Regulations Governing Licensure of Child Care Facilities, effective February 27, 2026, the rules (including the rule numbers) and corresponding page numbers may not coincide on the inspection documents due to regulatory updates.?? The revised Regulations Governing Licensure of Child Care Facilities can be found on the MSDH website.?? Renewal documents needed: fire form #333, menus, renewal app/fee, and staff contact hours.

Legend

- COS: Corrected on Site
- POC: Plan of Correction

Child Care Director Signature

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MSDH Licensure Representative Signature

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "A. Davis", written in a cursive style.