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July 11, 2025

Malaka Bland  
Little Dream Chasers Academy LLC  
3511 W Lisbon Ave  
Milwaukee, WI 53208-1954

**RE: WARNING LETTER OF NONCOMPLIANCE**

**Little Dream Chasers Academy of Excellence  
Facility ID Number: 2006955**

Dear Malaka Bland/Little Dream Chasers Academy LLC:

This letter constitutes a warning to you, Malaka Bland, licensee of Little Dream Chasers Academy of Excellence, regarding substantial noncompliances with Chapter 48, Wis. Stats., and/or DCF 251, Wis. Administrative Code in the operation of Little Dream Chasers Academy of Excellence, a licensed group child care. Failure to correct these noncompliances may result in further Department action.

This warning is based on the Department's findings by licensing specialist Sara Cooney and Kristin Lang during a visit to the center on June 25, 2025. The Department finds that you have failed to meet requirements for a group child license in the following respect(s):

1. **DCF 251.04(6)(b)** states the licensee shall maintain a current, accurate written record of the daily attendance and date of birth of each child for the length of time the child is enrolled in the program. The actual time of arrival and departure for each child shall be recorded if the hours of arrival and departure vary among children. Contrary to DCF 251.04(6)(b), attendance is not current and accurate at the time of the visit. A child who is present is not signed in. On 6/10/25 there was only a departure time for a child, there is no arrival time. Not all of the attendance sheets list the children's full name and not all of them have a date of birth listed.
2. **DCF 251.05(3)(c)** states in part all employees in regular contact with children shall obtain, maintain and place in the employee's file a current certificate of completion for infant and child cardiopulmonary resuscitation and automated external defibrillator use from an agency approved by the department within 3 months after beginning to work with children in care. Contrary to DCF 251.05(3)(c), Staff B does not have documentation of current infant/child

CPR/AED training. The training on file expired in March 2025. ***This was Previously cited on March 4, 2025.***

3. **DCF 251.05(3)(cm)** states within one week after beginning work at the center and at least every 2 years thereafter, each employee or volunteer who comes in contact with children in care shall complete training in all of the following 1. Child abuse and neglect laws. 2. How to identify children who have been abused or neglected. 3. The procedure for ensuring that all known or suspected cases of child abuse or neglect are immediately reported to the proper authorities  
Contrary to DCF 251.05(3)(cm), Staff B does not have documentation of training in Child Abuse and Neglect. ***This was Previously cited on March 4, 2025.***
4. **DCF 251.05(4)(a)** states in part each center shall develop and implement a written orientation program that all new employees, substitutes, and regular volunteers shall complete and document within their first week at the center. Contrary to DCF 251.04(4)(a), Staff A does not have documentation of having had an orientation and has been employed for more than a week. Staff B does not have documentation of an orientation for a group child care. The orientation on file is for a family child care.
5. **DCF 251.055(1)(f)** states the center shall implement and adhere to a procedure to ensure that the number, names, and whereabouts of children in care are known to assigned child care workers at all times. Contrary to DCF 251.055(1)(f), a child who was present was not marked in on the child tracking form. ***This was Previously cited on March 4, 2025.***
6. **DCF 251.055(2)(c)** states when there is a mixed age-group, the required staff-to-child ratios in Table 251.055 shall be adjusted on a pro rata basis in accordance with the ages of the children in the group. Contrary to DCF 251.055(2)(c), at the time of the visit there were 22 children (ages 3 years old to 12 years old) with one teacher. Based on the ages of the children the pro rata was 1.48 therefore two teachers are required.
7. **DCF 251.06(2)(a)** states the indoor and outdoor premises shall be free of hazards including any recalled products. Contrary to DCF 251.06(2)(a), there are several blind cords hanging in one of the classrooms where children are present. The cords are a strangulation hazard. The cords were tied and made inaccessible to children at the time of the visit.
8. **DCF 251.06(2)(d)** states materials harmful to children, including power tools, flammable or combustible materials, insecticides, matches, drugs, cleaning supplies, bleaches, and other hazardous, toxic, or poisonous articles shall be appropriately labeled and stored in areas inaccessible to children. Contrary to DCF 251.06(2)(d), there is a bag of cement which states "Keep out of reach of

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children" by the back door, accessible to children. ***This was Previously cited on March 4, 2025.***

9. **DCF 251.06(2)(i)** states there shall be no flaking or deteriorating paint on exterior or interior surfaces in areas accessible to children. Contrary to DCF 251.06(2)(i), there is flaking/deteriorating paint on the brick in outdoor play space and a small amount of peeling paint in a classroom, accessible to children.

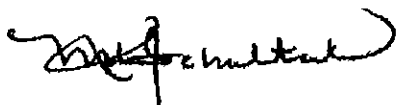
A Noncompliance Statement and Correction Plan (DCF-F-CFS294) listing the code violations documented at this visit is attached.

The Department will continue to closely monitor Little Dream Chasers Academy of Excellence to ensure that you come into compliance with the Wisconsin Statute and Administrative Code. Continued violation may result in licensing sanctions and penalties, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 48.715, including, but not limited to, issuance of an order, assessment of forfeitures ranging from \$10 to \$1,000 per day, per violation, or actions to revoke your group child care license.

Please note that in accordance with Wis. Stat. § 48.657(2g), and Wis. Admin. Code § DCF 251.04(2)(L), the child care shall post with the license any notice received from the Department relating to rule violations, including this warning letter. This notice must be posted in an area of the center that is visible to parents and must remain posted until the licensing specialist has verified the violations as corrected and in compliance at or before the next licensing site visit.

Please contact Licensing Specialist Sara Cooney at (262)446-7818 if you have questions regarding this notice.

Sincerely,



Mary Schultek, Licensing Supervisor  
Bureau of Early Care Regulation  
DIVISION OF EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

Attachment – CFS 294

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cc: Randall Gasser, Regional Licensing Manager  
Sara Cooney, Licensing Specialist  
Bureau of Child Care Subsidy Administration  
Milwaukee Early Care Administration  
4C for Children  
Department of Public Instruction  
Wisconsin Early Care Association  
Southeastern Regional Office Staff

<b>Date Correction Plan Due</b> 7/25/2025	<b>NONCOMPLIANCE STATEMENT AND CORRECTION PLAN</b>	<b>TO FILE A COMPLAINT CALL</b> 262-446-7800
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**Use of Form:** This form is used by certification / licensing staff to identify statute and / or administrative rule violation(s) and to outline imposed plans of correction, if applicable. This form is used by certified operators / licensed centers to meet the requirements of DCF 202.065, DCF 250.04(2)(i) and (3)(d), DCF 251.04(2)(L) and (3)(f), DCF 252.41(1)(L) and (2)(k). Failure to submit an appropriate correction plan by the due date listed above may result in sanctions identified in the statute and / or administrative rule. Public Schools may submit plans of correction however are not required to do so.

**Instructions:** The Noncompliance Statement below identifies the violation(s) of child care statute and / or administrative rule identified by the certification / licensing specialist. Complete the section labeled "Correction Plan" by indicating the steps that will be taken to address and correct each of the listed noncompliance(s). Identify expected completion date(s) for each item. Return the original to your certification / licensing specialist for approval and retain a copy. If this is a licensed child care, post your copy of the noncompliance statement and correction plan near the license in accordance with Wis Stat 48.657. This request for a correction plan is not an order imposing a sanction or penalty pursuant to Wis Stat 48.715. If the department decides to apply a statutory sanction and / or penalty for facts arising from this finding or a future finding, you will be given a notice of the sanction and / or penalty and your appeal rights.

<b>Name - Certified Operator / Licensed Center</b> Little Dream Chasers Acad Of Excellence		<b>Provider Number / Facility ID Number</b> 3000589623 / 002 - 2006955		
<b>Address - Facility (Street, City, State, Zip Code)</b> 6414 W Fond Du Lac Ave Milwaukee WI 532184917		<b>Telephone Number</b> 414-499-7136	<b>Date - Regulation Visit</b> 6/25/2025	
	<b>Rule/Statute Number Noncompliance Statement</b>	<b>Correction Plan</b>	<b>Expected Completion Date</b>	<b>Verification Date</b>
1	251.04(6)(b) <b>Current, Accurate Daily Attendance Record</b>  Description Attendance is not current and accurate at the time of the visit. A child who is present is not signed in.  On 6/10/25 there was only a departure time for a child, there is no arrival time.  Not all of the attendance sheets list the children's full name and not all of them have a date of birth listed.	In Service Held for staff to be aware of the importance of attendance and child tracking procedures to ensure Safety and Wellbeing of children whereabouts at all Times.  Staff trained and attendance sheets were updated To reflect all children names and DOB.	7/25/25	
2	251.05(2)(a)6 <b>Staff Record - Days &amp; Hours Worked</b>  Description. Staff are not documenting days and hours worked to meet ratio and in which classroom	Staff Trackets were implemented to keep track of staff Hours and days worked.	7/25/25	

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3	<p>251 05(3)(c) <b>Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Training</b></p> <p>Description: Staff B does not have documentation of current infant/child CPR/AED training The training on file expired in March 2025.</p> <p>Repeat violation Previously cited on 3/24/2025</p>	STAFF B CPR certification was placed into file.	7/25/25	
4	<p>251 05(3)(cm) <b>Child Abuse &amp; Neglect - Biennial Training</b></p> <p>Description: Staff B does not have documentation of training in Child Abuse and Neglect.</p> <p>Repeat violation Previously cited on 3/24/2025</p>	Staff B C.A.N is was placed into staff file	7/25/25	
5	<p>251.05(4)(a) <b>Staff Orientation - Develop, Implement, Document</b></p> <p>Description Staff A does not have documentation of having had an orientation and has been employed for more than a week.</p> <p>Staff B does not have documentation of an orientation for a group child care The orientation on file is for a family child care</p>	<p>STAFF A orientation was complete.</p> <p>STAFF B Orientation was transferred from family Form to group childcare form.</p>	7/25/25	

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6	<p>251.055(1)(f) <b>Child Tracking Procedure</b></p> <p>Description A child who was present was not marked in on the child tracking form.</p> <p>Repeat violation Previously cited on 3/24/2025</p>	<p>STAFF in service held for child tracking Procedures. New systems in place to ensure All children are tracked upon arrival.</p>	7/25/25	
7	<p>251.055(2)(c) <b>Mixed-Age Group - Staff-To-Child Ratio</b></p> <p>Description At the time of the visit there were 22 children (ages 3 years old to 12 years old) with one teacher Based on the ages of the children the pro rata was 1.48 therefore two teachers are required.</p>	<p>Staff were written up for being in another area of the center causing staff to child ratio.</p> <p>All staff were trained to stay in designated areas at all times .</p>	7/25/25	
8	<p>251.06(11)(b)8 <b>Outdoor Play Space - Prohibited Surfaces</b></p> <p>Description There is a toddler slide over concrete in the outdoor play space</p>	<p>Toddler slide was removed from outdoor Play area</p>	7/25/25	

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9	<p>251 06(2)(a) <b>Potential Source Of Harm On Premises</b></p> <p>Description. There are several blind cords hanging in one of the classrooms where children are present The cords are a strangulation hazard</p> <p>The cords were tied and made inaccessible to children at the time of the visit.</p>	Blinds were replaced in classrooms.	7/25/25	
10	<p>251 06(2)(b) <b>Electrical Or Hot Surface Protection</b></p> <p>Description Several electrical outlets were not guarded</p>	ALL outlets are now guarded.	7/25/25	
11	<p>251.06(2)(d) <b>Access To Materials Potentially Harmful To Children</b></p> <p>Description There is a bag of cement which states "Keep out of reach of children" by the back door, accessible to children</p> <p>Repeat violation Previously cited on 3/24/2025</p>	Cement was removed from Back door area.	7/25/25	

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12	<p>251.06(2)(gm) <b>Premises - Well Drained, Clean, In Good Repair</b></p> <p>Description Areas of the center are not in good repair There are is a hole in drywall in the lunch room and several holes along the back hallway due to the hand railing pulling away from the wall.</p> <p>The base molding is peeling away from the wall in a classroom</p> <p>There are stains on wall in the kitchen</p> <p>An emergency light is hanging by wire.</p> <p>There is wall damage at the bottom of the doorframe leading to the outdoor play space</p> <p>There are several stained ceiling tiles</p> <p>There is garbage and small debns in the outdoor play space accessible to children</p>	All areas are now In good repair,	7/25/25	
13	<p>251.06(2)(i) <b>Deteriorating Paint</b></p> <p>Description There is flaking/deteriorating paint on the brick in outdoor play space and a small amount of peeling paint in a classroom, accessible to children.</p>	Outdoor paint was repaired,	7/25/25	

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251.06(2)(n)	Garbage Containers - Construction & Disposal Schedule Description: There is a garbage can in the lunch room with thrown away food refuse with no cover. The garbage can in the kitchen is full therefore the cover cannot close. A garbage can in the outdoor play space does not have a cover	Garbage cans with no cover was	7/25/25
251 06(4)(d)	Exits & Passageways - Unobstructed, Minimum Width Description: An emergency exit is blocked with a large inflatable basketball game	Inflatable court was removed	7/25/25
251 06(7)(a)	Indoor Space - Square Footage Per Child Description: A classroom with 22 kids present does not have 35 square feet per child. The capacity of the room is 11	Staff Trained on room ratio sizes	7/25/25
251 07(1)(c)	Television As Part Of Program Description: Children were watching a movie that was not a supplement to the daily plan. No other activities were available for the children.	TV will no longer be used unless apart of the lesson plan	7/25/25

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18	251.07(3)(b)2 <b>Equipment - Quantity For Indoors</b>  Description There was no equipment in the classroom where 22 children were present	Equipment was added to the quiet room.	7/25/25
19	251 07(5)(a)6. <b>Menus - Changes</b>  Description Changes to the menus have not been records on the copies of the menu and kept on file.	Staff trained to keep all post dated meal plans in a Binder	7/25/25

**NAME - Agency Worker**  
Sara Cooney, Krstin Lange

**Date Issued**  
7/11/2025

**SIGNATURE - Certified Operator or Designee / Licensee or Designee**

**Date Signed**

Malaka Bland

7/25/25