

# United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

GEDMONDS-WIGGINS INS-0000871341

## **Inspection Report**

Bradford Schools LLC Customer ID: **6013565** 

133 Freeport Road Certificate: 23-R-0190 Pittsburgh, PA 15215

Site: 004

VET TECH INSTITUTE OF

HOUSTON

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 22-MAY-2023

#### 2.31(c)(3)

#### Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

As documented in the February 2023 meeting minutes, that same day, the IACUC reviewed their program for humane care and use of animals, and inspected all their animal facilities, but did not prepare a report of its evaluations for either and consequently, failed to submit said reports to the Institutional Official (IO). The facility did, however, inform the IO of the outcome of the review and inspection. These findings were confirmed by a facility representative. Without these reports, it would not only be difficult to determine the degree of which the facility is reviewing their animal welfare and use program and inspecting their animal facilities to ensure the animals they use receive adequate welfare, but also that said welfare is being continuously maintained. Furthermore, lack of these reports would prevent USDA from verifying the facilities compliance with the AWA. With respect to activities involving animals, the IACUC, as an agent of the research facility, shall prepare reports of its evaluations conducted as required by paragraphs (c)(1) and (2) of this section, and submit the reports to the IO of the research facility.

Correct by: June 19, 2023

#### 2.33(b)(2)

#### Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care.

During the inspection there were three bottles of hydrogen peroxide that expired in April 2023 – of which, two were in use (one in the surgery suite and the other in the surgery prep room cabinet), and the third intended to be used (also in surgery prep room cabinet), on the animals. This was confirmed by facility representatives. Usage of expired drugs can cause injury and/or suffering to the animals and are ineffective for their intended use. Each research facility shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include the use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries.

Correct by: May 25, 2023

3.10(a)
Watering

Prepared By: GERVAIS EDMONDS-WIGGINS Date:

USDA, APHIS, Animal Care 20-JUN-2023

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

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Three dogs – each in a separate kennel - were found to not have continuous access to water, whereby two of the water bowls were flipped over and the animals were standing in the water from the bowls, and the third animal had an empty water bowl. Lack of continuous/sufficient potable water could negatively impact the health and well-being of the dogs due to dehydration, among other things. Potable water must be continuously available to the dogs, unless restricted by the attending veterinarian or excepted as provided in § 3.17(a). The facility supplied the identified dogs with potable water at the time of inspection.

Correct by: June	10, 2023
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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
6013565	23-R-0190	004	VET TECH INSTITUTE OF HOUSTON	22-MAY-2023

CountScientific NameCommon Name000022Canis familiarisDOG ADULT000017Felis catusCAT ADULT

000039 Total