



Center Licensing Inspection Full Report

All licensed child care programs are inspected at least once each year. Non-compliances are documented and grouped as Serious, Moderate or Low risk violations. Documenting statements and supplemental information may be included in this report. Licensing inspection reports from the previous three years can be viewed on the child care website at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/CDC/childcare.stm>. This includes complaint investigation reports with substantiated allegations. For any other child care records, please contact the Child Care Help Desk at 1-877-302-2347, option 4.

Program Details			
Program Name EARLY EXPLORERS EDUCATIONAL CHILDCARE INC.	Program Number 000000100006	Program Type Child Care Center	
Address 2454 LOCUST ST. SOUTH CANAL FULTON OH 44614		County STARK	
Building Approval Date 06/09/2020	Use Group/Code E	Occupancy Limit 125	Maximum Under 2 ½ NA
Fire Inspection Approval Date 03/01/2021	Food Service Risk Level Level III		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 02/02/2022	Begin Time 9:55 AM	End Time 2:30 PM
Reviewer: SARAH HEIL-HINTON		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 58	No. Rules with Non-compliances 11	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 1	No. Low Risk 10

License Capacity and Enrollment at the Time of Inspection				
Age Group	License Capacity	Enrollment		
	Totals	Full Time	Part Time	Total
Infant (Birth to < 18 m)		11	0	11
Young Toddler		11	0	11
Total Under 2 ½ Years	34	22	0	22
Older Toddler		8	0	8
Preschool		28	2	30
School Age		0	16	16
Total Capacity/Enrollment	101	36	18	76

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Infants	0 to < 12 months	2 to 7	Playtime/Sleeping



Infants	0 to < 12 months	2 to 7	Sleeping/Playtime/Diaper Change
Infants	0 to < 12 months	2 to 7	Sleeping/Lunch/Feeding
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	Free Play
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	Lunch
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 9	Naptime
Toddlers	12 months to < 18 months	1 to 7	Playtime
Toddlers	12 months to < 18 months	1 to 7	Lunch
Toddlers	12 months to < 18 months	1 to 7	Naptime
Early Preschool	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 5	Free Play
Early Preschool	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 5	Lunch
Early Preschool	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 5	Naptime
Pre-K	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 7	Storytime
Pre-K	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 7	Lunch
Pre-K	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 6	Naptime
Pre-K Plus	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 6	AM Snack
Pre-K Plus	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 6	Lunch
Pre-K Plus	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 6	Naptime

Summary of Non-Compliances

If the program is star rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited. Ohio Administrative Code 5101: 2-12-03 details the process for submitting a request for a review if a program disagrees with a licensing finding. The request for review must be submitted within seven days from the receipt of the licensing report.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

No Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements

Code: The program is required to have documentation from ODJFS, indicating the individual is eligible to be employed in child care, on file before allowing the staff to have sole responsibility of children.



Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that child care staff member(s) had sole responsibility of children in the Preschool group(s) and neither a preliminary approval nor the JFS 01176 "Program Notification of Background Check Review for Child Care" were on file as required. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the JFS 01176 or a statement that the child care staff member(s) no longer have sole responsibility of children, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/06/2022

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Supervision

Code: The program staff is required to meet each child's basic, developmental, behavioral and special needs.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that child-care staff did not meet the basic needs of a child as noted in number(s) 5 below:

1. Assisting children with toileting
2. Assisting children with handwashing
3. Assisting children with basic hygiene
4. Responding appropriately to a child in distress
5. Assisting a child wiping his/her nose (Infant, Early Preschool, Preschool).
6. Washing a child's face
7. Assisting a child in tying his/her shoes
8. Assisting a child in changing his/her clothes when needed
9. A child's developmental needs were not met
10. A child's behavioral needs were not met
11. Parental preferences, that were not in conflict with a licensing rule, were not followed

Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. A written response for this rule noncompliance is not required at this time.



Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment

Code: The program is required to follow the cleaning schedule for equipment.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program was not providing a clean and healthy environment, furniture, materials and equipment as required by Appendix A, as noted in number(s) 10 & 11 below:

1. The changing table was not sanitized after each use.
2. Reusable cloths were not being cleaned daily or when visibly soiled.
3. Dividers were not cleaned when visibly soiled.
4. The food prep areas were not being cleaned and sanitized before and after food prep.
5. The food prep areas were not being cleaned and sanitized between preparing raw and cooked food.
6. Toilet seat(s), handle(s) and toilet bowl(s) were not being cleaned when visibly soiled and sanitized.
7. The sinks were not clean.
8. Diaper receptacles were not being cleaned and sanitized.
9. Potty chairs were not emptied and/or cleaned and sanitized after each use.
10. Wastebaskets/trash receptacles/rinse buckets were not being cleaned and sanitized when visibly soiled (Preschool & Pre-K).
11. Other: Stools at the classroom sinks & bathrooms.

Furniture, materials and equipment must be maintained according to the cleaning and sanitizing schedule in Appendix A to this rule. Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. A written response for this rule noncompliance is not required at this time.

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment

Code: The program is required to provide a sturdy platform for children if the sink or toilet are too high.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the platform for the sink/toilet in the Toddler, & Pre-K classrooms were unsafe for children as noted in number(s) 3 below.

1. No platform was provided.
2. The platform was not sturdy.
3. The platform posed a safety hazard in that there was no gripping to stop the stool from sliding when in use

Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. A written response for this rule noncompliance is not required at this time.



Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements

Code: The program is required to have children and staff practice and document safely exiting vehicles during an emergency.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program had not conducted and/or documented monthly emergency exiting drills on vehicles with children, including the date of the drill and all staff who transport children (July & August). Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/06/2022

Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements

Code: The program is required to complete and document weekly inspections of vehicles used to transport children.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program had not performed and/or documented weekly inspections of vehicles used for transporting children (July & August). The weekly inspection needs to include the following:

1. A visual inspection of the tires for wear and tire pressure
2. A visual inspection of headlights, taillights, signals, mirrors, wiper blades, and dash gauges
3. An inspection for properly functioning child and driver restraints
4. An inspection for properly functioning doors and windows
5. An inspection for, and cleaning of, debris from inside the vehicle

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the documented weekly inspection of vehicles, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/06/2022



Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements

Code: The program staff is required to maintain career-technical program education information on file at the program.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that documentation was incomplete for the career-technical program student(s) listed on the Employee Record Chart. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the documentation for the vocational student, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/06/2022

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements

Code: The program is required to ensure child care staff members, including substitutes used more than ninety days annually, obtain at least 6 hours of professional development each state fiscal year.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that at least one child care staff member did not meet the annual professional development requirement as noted in number(s) 1 below:

1. The child care staff member(s) had not completed at least six hours of professional development.
2. Documentation did not demonstrate the person who provided the training met the trainer qualifications as stated in the rule.
3. Training topic did not meet the requirements listed in appendix A of this rule.
4. Documentation of training did not meet the requirements of this rule.
5. The substitute(s) had been used more than ninety days annually between July first and June thirtieth and had not completed at least six hours of professional development
6. Other [].

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/06/2022

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements

Code: The program is required to have staff complete training in child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention within sixty days of hire.



Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that at least one child care staff member had not completed training in child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention as noted in number(s) 1 & 2 below:

1. The training was not completed within sixty days of hire.
2. The training was expired, as it is only valid for two years.

Refer to the Employee Record Chart for the name(s) of the child care staff member(s) who must complete training in child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/06/2022

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-25 Medication Administration

Code: The program is required to use the appropriate form and retain current documentation to administer medications, medical foods and topical products. The program is also required to obtain separate documentation for each medication/product and child.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for the JFS 01217 "Request for Administration of Medication for Child Care" as noted in number(s) 6 below:

1. The program used an old version of the JFS 01217.
2. The signature date on the JFS 01217 exceeded more than 12 months.
3. The time period to administer the medication or medical food on the JFS 01217 was exceeded.
4. The JFS 01217 included more than one medication or medical food.
5. The JFS 01217 included more than one child's name.
6. The prescription label was not current (Auvi-q).

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/06/2022

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records

Code: The program is required to use the updated JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care".



Finding: In review of 25% of the children's records, it was determined that information had not been secured from the parent/guardian on the JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care", as required, for the items in number(s) 4,7,10 below.

1. No enrollment form was completed for at least one child
2. The current JFS 01234 was not completed for at least one child
3. Complete child information
4. Complete parent information
5. Complete emergency contact information
6. Complete physician information
7. Information regarding the parent list
8. Health information
9. Additional information for all boxes checked "yes"
10. Emergency transportation information
11. Parent/guardian's signature
12. Diapering Statement
13. Acknowledgement of Policies and Procedures
14. Enrollment form for at least one child was not updated by either the parent or the administrator
15. Enrollment form for at least one child was not signed by the administrator
16. Other []

Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. A written response for this rule noncompliance is not required at this time.

Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-02 License Posted	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The license was in a location visible to parents as required; lobby.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program had current information entered in the



		Ohio Child Licensing and Quality System (OCLQS).
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, the program was operating in compliance with the current building approval(s).
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Fire Inspection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Please Note: Documentation of a fire inspection without any uncorrected violations must be secured for the program. Secure a new fire inspection by 3/1/22.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The food service license was observed posted. Following is the audit number and date of expiration: GDAS-KNPW expires March 1 , 2022.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The administrator has completed the rules review course.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The administrator's hours of availability to meet with parents were posted in a noticeable location.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Medical Statement	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All employees had current medical statements on file.



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, all child care staff members had met orientation training requirements.
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Separation of Children Under 2 1/2 Years	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The quarterly playground inspections were completed and documented, as required. The most recent inspection report form was dated 11/23/21.
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The protective surfaces under the outdoor equipment were not viewed during this inspection due to snow covering; however, the requirements were discussed.
Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Staff and children were observed washing hands as required by the rule.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable



Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: A notice was observed posted stating that smoking is prohibited at the program; foyer.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program uses the ODJFS sample trip permission form for field trips to secure written permission from parents or guardians.
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding transportation and field trip procedures were discussed. Busses are used during the summer months only. Ensure all drivers have required trainings.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Medical/Physical Care Plans	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program had current information on the medical status and the required treatment plan for the children with health conditions.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan	Compliant	Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, the complete prescribed JFS 01242 "Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan For Child Care" were posted in the program as required.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Documentation for completed fire, weather, and emergency/lockdown drills was verified during this inspection.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the program had complete first aid kits available as required.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The JFS 08087 "Communicable Disease Chart" was



		posted and was readily available to staff and parents.
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	<p>Documenting Statement: The program staff stated parents were informed when their child had any exposure to a contagious illness by number(s) 1 & 5 below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A posted notice; 2. Verbal communication; 3. A written notice sent home; 4. A note posted on the classroom door; 5. Other: phone call.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The JFS 01299 "Incident/Injury Report For Child Care" forms reviewed during this inspection were complete as required.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Daily schedules were observed posted.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program was operating within their license capacity limits.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The Appendix A "Staff/Child Ratios, Age Grouping and Maximum Group Size" was posted in a



		noticeable area at the program as required.
Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Staff/child ratios observed during the inspection were in compliance.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Group Size	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The group sizes observed on the day of the inspection were in compliance.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Attendance Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, attendance records were reviewed. Child Care Staff Members were viewed recording the attendance for each child upon arrival and departure. All attendance records met the requirements of the rule and were kept with the group at all times.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The rest area had adequate lighting, which allowed for the visual supervision of children.
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Cots were placed appropriately and safely during nap time.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cribs	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Cribs were separated from the play space by a safe and sturdy and physical barrier.
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cribs	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All cribs were placed 2 feet apart.
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cribs	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All cribs were labeled with the assigned infant's name.



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Posted menus included foods from all four food groups.
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Meals served at the program included foods from the four food groups in sufficient amounts.
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program served the following: Breakfast, AM Snack (milk, strawberries & nurtigrain bar) , Lunch (breaded chicken, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges & milk), PM Snack (animal crackers & apple sauce).
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Meals were provided at intervals as required by this rule.
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Substituted foods served were recorded on the posted menu, as required by this rule.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All eating utensils were developmentally appropriate.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Appropriate daily written records for all infants were viewed.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All bottles were labeled as required.
Rule: 5101:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Bottles and opened food were stored in a refrigerator located in the classroom.



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Appropriate diaper changing procedures were observed during the inspection in the infant room(s).
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-24 Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Swimming activities were part of the program's schedule in the summer only.