



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 GROWING TOGETHER LEARNING CENTER	Program Number 00000201206	Program Type Child Care Center	
Address 1530 EAST KEMPER RD. CINCINNATI OH 45246		County HAMILTON	
Building Approval Date 08/26/2015	Use Group/Code E with I-2	Occupancy Limit 98	Maximum Under 2 ½
Fire Inspection Approval Date 07/06/2020	Food Service Risk Level Level III		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Follow-up	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 06/10/2021	Begin Time 8:30 AM	End Time 5:48 PM
Inspection Date 06/10/2021	Begin Time 5:00 PM	End Time 5:30 PM
Reviewer: STEPHANIE WALTERS		
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Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 59	No. Rules with Non-compliances 9	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 3	No. Low Risk 7

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)		7	0	7
Young Toddler		7	0	7
Total Under 2 ½ Years	77	14	0	14
Older Toddler		5	0	5
Preschool		22	0	22
School Age		19	0	19
Total Capacity/Enrollment	98	46	0	60



Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Pre-k	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 14	
School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	1 to 14	
Preschool	30 months to < 36 months	1 to 4	
Toddlers	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 9	
Infant 1	0 to < 12 months	1 to 3	
Infant 2	12 months to < 18 months	2 to 6	

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: 07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cribs
Code: The program staff is required to remove any items listed in rule that are a potential suffocation risk from cribs.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that a child had been placed in a crib with an object that created a potential strangulation or suffocation risk, as indicated in number(s) 2 below:

1. Item tied around neck (including bib or pacifier on ribbon or string around child's neck)
2. Blanket for infant under twelve months old
3. Pillow
4. Boppie
5. Bumper pad



6. Clothing stored in the crib
7. Diaper bag
8. Object or toy strung over the crib in which a child can pull himself up
9. Stuffed animal that is large/soft enough to conform to the shape of the child's face
10. Other []

The rule prohibits any item which obstructs child-care staff's visibility or poses a risk of strangulation or suffocation from being placed on or in a crib. Remove the item(s) immediately. 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: 07/10/2021

Domain: 08 Staff Files

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

Code: The program is required to have all staff request background checks as required.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that background checks were not requested for the person(s) listed on the Employee Record Chart as noted in number(s) 1 below:

1. Submitting the JFS 01175 "Request for a Background Check for Child Care" to the Department or the OPR;
2. Submitting fingerprints electronically according to the process established by BCI.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/10/2021

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 School Age group(s) and the JFS 01176 "Program Notification of Background Check Review for Child Care" was not 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: 07/10/2021



Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Attendance Records

Code: The program is required to have a method for tracking the children in each group. The tracking method must be updated throughout the day and kept with the group at all times.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the method for tracking children in each group did not meet the requirements of the rule as noted in number(s) 3, 5 below:

1. There was no method in place;
2. The method did not include each child's name;
3. The method did not include each child's date of birth;
4. The tracking method did not remain with the group at all times;
5. The tracking method was not updated throughout the day as children entered or left the group.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/10/2021

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment

Code: The program is required to provide an environment that protects the children in care from any items and conditions that may threaten their health, safety, and well-being.

Finding: Children in care shall be protected from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well-being. During the inspection, it was determined that children were not protected from the following item(s) or condition(s) which may threaten their health, safety, or well-being as noted in number(s) 5 below:

1. Open pull cords that are not closed loop.
2. Telephone cords.
3. Electrical/extension cords attached to an object that would not likely result in a severe injury if pulled.
4. Stacked chairs.



5. Employee(s) purse(s). Preschool Room
6. Diaper bags.
7. Television not securely anchored.
8. Small or lightweight pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.
9. Smoke detector needing batteries replaced.
10. Staff member stepped over a barrier/gate while holding a child.
11. Emergency exits were blocked by the following classroom furniture: [].
12. Other [].

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: 07/10/2021

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements

Code: The program administrator is required to maintain current employee records in the Ohio Professional Registry.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined employment records were not entered or updated within five calendar days of the change in the Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) as noted in number(s) 2, 3 below:

1. At least one administrator, employee or child care staff member (including substitutes) had not created an employment record in the OPR for the program.
2. The administrator had not assigned at least one employee or child care staff member to the program's organization dashboard in the OPR.
3. At least one individual's schedule was not current.
4. At least one individual's position or role was not current.
5. At least one individual's employment had not been end dated.
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: 07/10/2021

Domain: 08 Staff Files

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



Code: The program staff is required to have educational verification on file at the program.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that verification of a high school education was not on file for Child Care Staff Member(s) listed on the Employee Record Chart, as required. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the verification of a high school education, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/10/2021

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Orientation and Staff Records

Code: The program is required to have staff complete the online staff orientation training.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that child care staff member(s) had not completed the online orientation training as noted in number(s) 1 below:

1. Within 30 days of starting employment at the program as a child care staff member.
2. No documentation of completing the training after December 31, 2016.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/10/2021

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) 13 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 parent information
4. Complete emergency contact information
5. Complete physician information



6. Information regarding the parent list
7. Health information
8. Additional information for all boxes checked "yes"
9. Emergency transportation information
10. Parent/guardian's signature
11. Diapering Statement
12. Acknowledgement of Policies and Procedures
13. Enrollment form for at least one child was not updated by either the parent or the administrator
14. Enrollment form for at least one child was not signed by the administrator
15. 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.

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Medical/Physical Care Plans

Code: The program is required to retain the JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan" on file for at least one year.

Finding: In review of the children's records, it was determined that the JFS 01236 "Medical/Physical Care Plan" did not meet the requirements of the rule as noted in number(s) 1 below:

1. The JFS 01236 had not been updated as needed and at least annually.
2. The JFS 01236 had not been kept on file for one year.
3. A separate JFS 01236 had not been used for each condition.

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



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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 5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	
Rule 5101:2-12-04 Fire Approval	Compliant	
Rule 5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	
Rule 5101:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	
Rule 5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	
Rule 5101:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan	Compliant	
Rule Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Food License	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The food service license was observed posted. Following is the audit number and date of expiration: MBAN-BYBJ4V 3/1/22.
Rule 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	
Rule 5101:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	
Rule 5101:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, 2 first aid kits were reviewed and available as required.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	
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
5101:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Outdoor equipment was viewed to be safe and free of rust, sharp points, and other hazards.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-04 Building Approval	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-02 License Posted	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The quarterly playground inspection(s) [was/were] completed and documented, as required. The most recent inspection report form was dated 2/12/21.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	
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
5101:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-11 Separation of Children Under 2 1/2 Years	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable



Rule: 5101:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program had at least one Child Care Staff Member with currently valid training in First Aid, Management of Communicable Disease, CPR, and Child Abuse Prevention present and readily accessible during all hours of operation.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements	Not Verified	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-18 Group Size	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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
5101:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-25 Medication Administration and Food Supplements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: There were no children on medication at the time of the inspection; however, the method of storage and practices for the administration were reviewed.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: CCCMTL No. 25	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, documents and/or



		professional development as outlined in Child Care Center Manual Transmittal Letter (CCCMTL) No. 25, "Reopening Child Care Operations Following the Response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic", were not assessed. Requirements will be assessed according to the schedule outlined in CCCMTL No. 25. Please ensure all requirements are met and maintained on file for review.
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
5101:2-12-02.2 Transitional Pandemic Requirements	Compliant	