



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 000000201206	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 06/08/2021	Food Service Risk Level Level III		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 11/22/2021	Begin Time 9:50 AM	End Time 5:30 PM
Reviewer: ZIBUTE OSGOOD		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 58	No. Rules with Non-compliances 9	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 1	No. Low Risk 8

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		8	0	8
Total Under 2 ½ Years	77	15	0	15
Older Toddler		10	0	10
Preschool		24	0	24
School Age		25	0	25
Total Capacity/Enrollment	98	59	0	74

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment



Infant 1	0 to < 12 months	2 to 6	6 weeks to 18 months At arrival and lunch
Infant 2	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 4	18 months to 24 months At arrival and lunch
Toddlers	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 10	24 months to 36 months At arrival & lunch
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 11	3's & 4's At arrival
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 11	During lunch
Pre-K	4 years to < 5 years	2 to 12	4's & 5's At arrival & lunch
School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	1 to 5	First group of after school care

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 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: 12/29/2021

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 3 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: 12/29/2021

Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping

Code: The program is required to have child sleep only on cots/mats.



Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that a child was sleeping as noted in numbers 4 (toddler was observed sleeping in a chair), 5 (all younger toddlers were sleeping in cribs) below:

1. On the floor.
2. At the table.
3. On a bean bag chair.
4. On a couch or chair.
5. In cribs.

Children shall be provided a cot or mat to rest, nap, or sleep. 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: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Supervision

Code: The program staff is required to supervise children in their assigned group by sight and hearing. Supervision includes being near enough to respond and reach children immediately including responding to the child's basic needs and protecting them from harm.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that children were not being properly supervised as noted in number 5 below:

1. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member during indoor play.
2. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member during outdoor play.
3. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member more than once.
4. Staff were not physically present in the space and near enough to respond and reach the child(ren) immediately.
5. Children were observed to be napping with blankets covering their heads, preventing appropriate supervision.

Children must be supervised according to rule and within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member at all times. 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: 12/29/2021

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment



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

Code: The program is required to provide a clean and healthy environment.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the following unsanitary conditions were at the program:

- A red vinyl cushion on a dramatic play sofa was torn, preventing appropriate sanitation.
- A section of a baseboard was missing in the preschool room.
- A floor tile in the SA restroom was cracked, preventing appropriate sanitation.

A clean and healthy environment, including furniture, materials and equipment must be provided, and the program shall be cleaned daily. 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 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 at least one area of the program or at least one piece of equipment had chipping or peeling paint. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/29/2021

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements

Code: The program is required to have all children wash their hands as outlined in rule.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that at least one child in the infant group did not wash his or her hands at the time listed in number 3 below, as required in rule.

1. Upon arrival.
2. Prior to departure.
3. After toileting/diaper change.
4. After contact with bodily fluids.
5. After returning from outdoor play.



6. After handling pets, pet cages, or other pet objects that have come in contact with the pet, before moving on to another activity.
7. Before eating or assisting with food preparation.
8. After water activities.
9. When visibly soiled (must use soap and water)
10. Other [].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/29/2021

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions

Code: The program is required to have a first aid kit onsite.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined first aid kit(s) at the program had missing, or expired, items that are required by appendix A of this rule to be contained in a first aid kit, as noted in number 13 below:

1. The program did not have a first aid kit [onsite, on the vehicle, on a field trip].
2. One roll of hypoallergenic first-aid tape.
3. Individually wrapped sterile gauze squares in assorted sizes.
4. Sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes.
5. Tweezers.
6. Gauze rolled bandage.
7. Triangular bandage.
8. Rounded end scissors.
9. Tooth preservation system or fresh chilled liquid milk in which to transport a lost permanent tooth, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where milk is stored if a tooth preservation system is not part of the first aid kit (for programs serving school age children only).
10. A working digital thermometer.
11. Disposable non-latex gloves.
12. A working flashlight.
13. An instant cold pack that has not been activated or ice, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where the ice is stored if an instant cold pack is not part of the first aid kit.
14. Sealable leak-proof plastic bags in assorted sizes or double bagged plastic bags that can be securely tied for materials soiled with blood or bodily fluids.
15. Pocket mask or face shield, appropriate for all ages of children in care, for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) administration.
16. Soap or waterless sanitizer (field trip or transporting away from the program only).
17. Bottled water (field trip or transporting away from the program only).

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: 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 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: 12/29/2021

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.



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	
5101:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	
5101:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection	Compliant	
5101:2-12-04 Fire Inspection	Compliant	
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: MBAN-BYBJ4V, exp. 03/01/2022.
5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	
5101:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding the program's written policies and procedures were discussed.
Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Medical Statement	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All employees had current medical statements on file.
Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All Child Care Staff Members had verification of educational requirements on file at the program.



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection	Compliant	
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
5101:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	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
5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements	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: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The playground safety kit was used to verify the outdoor play equipment was free from entrapment hazards and unsafe and protruding bolts.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	
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.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The driver had current and valid training in first aid, management of communicable disease, and CPR.
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The form used by the program for routine and/or field trips were verified to meet the requirements of the rule.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The driver had completed the required ODJFS driver training.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, 25% of the children's records were reviewed, and the records were complete, as required by the rule.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Medical/Physical Care Plans	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding caring for children with a specific health condition and the update Medical/Physical Care Plans were discussed.
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
5101:2-12-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	
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: 5101:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Daily schedules were observed posted.
Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Sufficient equipment was observed in all categories.
Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program was operating within their license capacity limits.
Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, enough Child Care Staff Members were employed to meet the staff/child ratios.
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	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: 5101:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Appropriate child guidance techniques and practices were observed being used during the inspection.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cribs	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All cribs were placed 2 feet apart.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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: Snacks served at the program included foods from two of the four food groups and provided nutritional value in addition to calories.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All infants/toddlers were served formula/milk in sufficient amounts to meet the nutritional requirements.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	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
Rule: 5101:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program staff followed all required procedures for infant formula, food preparation and food service.



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/toddler rooms.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-25 Medication Administration	Compliant	