



## 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 M. PATTERSON'S TENDER STEPS KIDS ACADEMY, LLC	Program Number 000000207699	Program Type Child Care Center	
Address 1545 COMPTON RD MT. HEALTHY OH 45231		County HAMILTON	
Building Approval Date 08/17/2009	Use Group/Code E	Occupancy Limit 49	Maximum Under 2 ½
Fire Inspection Approval Date 02/22/2019	Food Service Risk Level Level II		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 06/14/2021	Begin Time 10:25 AM	End Time 11:25 AM
Reviewer: ZIBUTE OSGOOD		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 58	No. Rules with Non-compliances 9	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 0	No. Low Risk 11

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)		1	0	1
Young Toddler		2	0	2
<b>Total Under 2 ½ Years</b>	12	3	0	3
Older Toddler		1	0	1
Preschool		6	0	6
School Age		7	0	7
<b>Total Capacity/Enrollment</b>	39	14	0	17

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Children combined	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 6	3's, 4's & SA



### 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**

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[Empty area]

#### Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

**No Moderate Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection**

[Greyed out area]

[Empty area]

#### Low Risk Non-Compliances

**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 numbers 3, 7, 12 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).
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. Screws were protruding from the base of a toilet in the children's restroom.
13. Deodorant was accessible to children.

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: 07/21/2021

**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:

- Formica was chipping off of a shelf, 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 Equipment



Code: The program is required to place fans, air conditioners, heat pumps, and space heaters in a place inaccessible to children.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program's [fan; air-conditioning unit; heat pump; space heater] was unsafe, as noted in number 6 below:

1. The fan was unstable and could easily tip over;
2. The fan had openings a finger could enter;
3. The pipes from the heat pump felt hot to the touch;
4. The space heater felt hot to the touch;
5. The position of the space heater was a tripping hazard;
6. The air-conditioning unit was not enclosed and was accessible to children on the playground.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/21/2021

**Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment**

Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Schedule

Code: The program is required to have the daily program schedule posted in all required areas.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that a copy of the preschool and school age daily program schedule was not posted in the downstairs classroom. Due to enrollment, all children are cared for in the large room on the main floor. 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: 03 Postings & Equipment**

Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan

Code: The program is required to post the fire and weather plans.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the following information was not posted for item number 2 below:

1. Fire alert plan, including a diagram.
2. Weather alert plan, including a diagram.



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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/21/2021

**Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space**

Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements

Code: The program is required to have an outdoor play space free from general hazards.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the following hazardous conditions existed in the outdoor play area, as noted in number 8, 10 below:

1. There was broken glass.
2. There were tall weeds.
3. There was poison ivy.
4. There were tree branches.
5. There was mold visible.
6. There were thistles with pricklers.
7. There were bird droppings.
8. There were bolts with more than two threads exposed along a fence line or gate on a playground.
9. The sandbox was contaminated.
10. Porch slats were missing or broken on the front and back porches.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/21/2021

**Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space**

Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements

Code: The program is required to have an outdoor play space free from debris.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the trash cans on the outdoor play space were as noted in number 6 below:

1. The trash can was missing a lid;
2. The trash can was not emptied from the day(s) before;
3. The trash can was overflowing with trash;
4. The trash can was infested with insects;



5. The trash can was visibly dirty;
6. The trash cans were stored on the older children's outdoor play area.

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: 05 Health & Safety**

Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease

Code: The program is required to post the JFS 08087 "Ohio Department of Health Communicable Disease Chart."

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the JFS 08087 "Ohio Communicable Disease Chart" was not posted as required, as indicated in number 1 below:

1. The chart was not posted.
2. In a location readily available to program staff and parents.
3. The posted chart was not the current version.

Technical assistance was provided at the time of 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: 5101:2-12-08 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 2 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: 07/25/2021



**Domain: 09 Children's Files**

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

Code: The program is required to have a completed medical on file at the program for each child enrolled.

Finding: In review of 25% of the children's records, it was determined that completed medical statements were not on file, as required, for children listed on the JFS Children's Record Review For Child Care as indicated in number(s) 1 & 2 below:

1. No medical was on file for at least one child
2. Medical(s) on file were not updated every 13 months
3. Medical(s) were missing child's name and date of birth
4. Medical(s) were missing the date of the medical examination
5. Medical(s) were missing a statement that the child has been examined and is in suitable condition for participation in group care
6. Medical(s) were missing the signature, business address and telephone number of the physician, physician's assistant(PA), advance practice nurse (APN) or certified nurse practitioner (CNP) who examined the child
7. Medical(s) were missing a record of immunizations the child has had specifying month, day and year
8. Medical(s) were missing a statement from the physician, PA, APN, or CNP that the child has been immunized or is in the process of being immunized against the diseases required by division 5104.014 of the Revised Code and found in appendix A to this rule
9. Medical(s) were missing a statement from the child's parent or guardian that he or she has declined to have the child immunized against the disease for reasons of conscience, including religious convictions
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: 07/21/2021

**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) 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13 & 14 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.

**Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified**

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-04 Fire Approval	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable





5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
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: DCOU-BZ5L8L, exp. 03/01/2022.
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-04 Building Approval	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-02 License Posted	Compliant	



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
5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-15 Medical/Physical Care Plans	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-20 Cribs	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
5101:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements	Not Verified	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-18 Attendance Records	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-18 Group Size	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable



5101:2-12-25 Medication Administration and Food Supplements	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-08 Medical Statement	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-02.2 Transitional Pandemic Requirements	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
Rule: CCCMTL No. 25	Not Verified	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.