



## 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 Little Discoverers STEM Academy-SA	Program Number 2190019530	Program Type Child Care Center	
Address 1310 Superior Ave. Akron OH 44320		County SUMMIT	
Building Approval Date 03/14/2019	Use Group/Code E	Occupancy Limit 91	Maximum Under 2 ½ 0
Fire Inspection Approval Date 05/07/2019	Food Service Risk Level Exempt		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 07/08/2021	Begin Time 10:30 AM	End Time 3:30 PM
Reviewer: TONYA JOHNSON		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 57	No. Rules with Non-compliances 11	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 0	No. Low Risk 12

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)		0	0	0
Young Toddler		0	0	0
<b>Total Under 2 ½ Years</b>	0	0	0	0
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		14	0	14
School Age		14	0	14
<b>Total Capacity/Enrollment</b>	39	28	0	28

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
preschool / school age	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 14	painting



preschool / school age	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 14	outside play
preschool / school age	3 years to < 4 years	3 to 14	lunch

### 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

No Moderate Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection


#### Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Food License



Code: The program is required to refrain from preparing and serving food as stated in their exemption from a food service license.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that food was prepared and served in violation of the terms of the program's food service license exemption report which stated the program was exempt as noted in number 3 below:

1. Prepares and serves no food;
2. Prepares and serves food to thirteen or fewer individuals daily;
3. Prepares no food but food is prepared and served by a licensed caterer as directed by Chapter 3717 ORC; food was prepared at an alternative location and transported to the center.
4. Other [ ].

The program must operate in accordance with the terms of the food service exemption status. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/08/2021

#### **Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Child Guidance

Code: The program staff shall use developmentally appropriate techniques when managing children's behavior. Corporal punishment is prohibited, as well as any cruel, harsh, unusual or extreme techniques.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that a child care staff member used a discipline technique to guide or discipline a child that was not developmentally appropriate, consistent, or occurred at the time of the incident in that lunch and water was threatened to be withheld due to behavior. 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: 08/08/2021

#### **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 or condition which may threaten their health, safety, or well-being as noted in number 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 purse.
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: 08/08/2021

**Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment

Code: The program is required to label all cleaning and sanitizing supplies.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that not all cleaning/sanitizing supplies had been clearly labeled. When cleaning or sanitizing supplies are not stored in their original containers, the container must be labeled with the contents. 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: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space**

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

Code: The program is required to conduct and document quarterly inspections of their outdoor play space.



**Finding:** During the inspection, it was determined that quarterly inspections of one or more outdoor play area and equipment had not been completed and documented as required, using the JFS 01281 "Child Care Playground Inspection Report" form. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/08/2021

**Domain: 05 Health & Safety**

**Rule:** 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements

**Code:** The program is required to post the currently menu for the week.

**Finding:** During the inspection, it was determined that the current menu for this week was not posted. 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 staff is required to obtain at least 6 hours of professional development annually.

**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 members had not completed at least 6 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. Other [ ].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/08/2021



**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

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

Code: The program is required to maintain documentation onsite at the program for each employee.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that documentation was not on file at the program to meet the requirements of this rule for the employees listed on the Employee Record Chart. The documentation was able to be verified as noted in number 2 below:

1. The information had been verified at the previous inspection.
2. The information was provided from another location during the inspection.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/08/2021

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

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

Code: The program is required to have a designated employee that has access to all records and handles emergencies in charge if the administrator is absent.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the role of the designee did not meet the requirements as noted in number 1 below:

1. Have access to all records;
2. Handle all emergencies.

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: 5101:2-12-08 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 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: 08/08/2021

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

**Rule:** 5101:2-12-08 Medical Statement

**Code:** The program staff medicals are required to be completed and on file at the program.

**Finding:** In review of the staff records, it was determined that completed medical examination statements for the employees listed on the Employee Record Chart was not on file, as required by this rule. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the completed employee medical statement, to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/08/2021

**Domain: 09 Children's Files**

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

**Code:** The program is required to retain emergency transportation records accessible at the program.

**Finding:** During the inspection, it was determined that current copies of the completed documents as noted in number 1 below were not easily and quickly accessible to be removed from the program if there is an emergency that requires the children to be moved to another location:

1. JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care";
2. JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan For Child Care"

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: 5101:2-12-04 Fire Approval	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Please Note: An annual fire inspection approval must be secured for the program. Secure a new approval by 1/27/22.
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: 5101:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: A notice was observed posted stating that smoking is prohibited at the program.
5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The driver had completed the required ODJFS driver training.
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan	Compliant	Documenting Statement: No changes have been made to the written disaster plan since it was last approved by this Department.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable





5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
Rule: 5101:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program was operating within their license capacity limits.
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
5101:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	Compliant	
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: No changes have been made to the written policies and procedures since it was last approved by this Department.
<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>
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Documentation for completed fire, weather, and emergency/lockdown drills was verified during this inspection.
<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>
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program does not have any outdoor play equipment. All toys are transported out with the children during outside play.



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Outdoor play was observed for the preschool and school age groups.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Building Approval	Compliant	Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, the program was operating in compliance with the current building approval.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-02 License Posted	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The license was posted in a visible location as required.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Child Care Staff Members were supervising the children and were able to intervene as needed.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-02 Current Information	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
5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Equipment was observed to be in good condition.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Medical/Physical Care Plans	Compliant	Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, there were no children currently enrolled who had health conditions.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable



5101:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: An annual safety check of the vehicle, using the JFS 01230 "Vehicle Inspection Report For Child Care Centers" form, was verified and dated 3.10.21.
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, weekly safety inspections and/or monthly emergency exiting drills were completed and documented, as required using the ODJFS sample form.
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 program uses the ODJFS sample trip permission form for routine and field trips to secure written permission from parents or guardians.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The requirements for completing JFS 01299 "Incident/Injury Report For Child Care" reports were discussed during the inspection.
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 Attendance Records	Compliant	
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 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: 5101:2-12-25 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
Rule: 5101:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the required documentation regarding background checks was on file for all employees listed.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	