



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 04/13/2022	Food Service Risk Level Exempt		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 08/03/2022	Begin Time 10:00 AM	End Time 1:00 PM
Reviewer: TONYA JOHNSON		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 58	No. Rules with Non-compliances 12	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 1	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
Total Under 2 ½ Years	0	0	0	0
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		5	0	5
School Age		7	0	7
Total Capacity/Enrollment	39	12	0	12

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



preschool/school age	5 years to < Kindergarten	2 to 11	arrival
preschool/school age	5 years to < Kindergarten	2 to 11	dance party
preschool/school age	5 years to < Kindergarten	2 to 11	bus/field trip

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: 09 Children's Files

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

Code: The program is required to have a completed JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" on file at the program for any child having a health condition. The program is required to implement and/or follow instructions on the JFS 01236 for a child with a health condition.

Finding: A written, signed and dated JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" must be on file for any child having health conditions which require monitoring for symptoms, or a medical procedure be performed, or ongoing administration of medication or medical foods at the program. In review of the children's records, it was determined that the required written information was either not on file, implemented or followed, for at least one child indicated on the Children Records Review, as noted in number 19 below:

1. No plan was on file.
2. Child's name was missing.
3. Child's date of birth was missing.
4. Name of the condition was missing.
5. Indication if medication is required was missing.
6. Symptoms to watch for were missing.
7. Directions for when should the medication or medical food be administered were missing.



8. Instructions for administration were missing.
9. Conditions that trigger the need for medication or medical foods were missing.
10. Expected results of the medication or medical food were missing.
11. Actions to be taken if the symptoms do not subside were missing.
12. Activities, foods, environmental conditions to avoid were missing.
13. Training instructions were missing.
14. Directions for action to be taken if expected result of medication or medical food does not occur were missing.
15. Instructions regarding emergency evacuation, if applicable, were missing.
16. Dated signature of parent was missing.
17. Dated signature of certified professional who trained the program staff was missing, if parent was not the trainer.
18. Printed name(s)/Dated signature(s) of child care staff member(s) trained to perform the procedure were missing.
19. Dated signature of administrator was missing.
20. Name of any applicable medication was missing.
21. Date medication was administered was missing.
22. Time medication was administered was missing.
23. Dosage administered was missing.
24. Signature of staff member who administered the medication was missing.
25. Medication listed in the procedures to follow was not onsite available to administer as instructed and alternate instructions for this situation were not included on the plan.
26. The plan was not implemented.
27. The plan was not able to be implemented due to conflicting information.
28. The plan was not followed.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the completed JFS 01236, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2022

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements

Code: The program is required to provide sinks with running water for handwashing.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the handwashing facility requirements were not met as noted in number 2 below:



1. There was no handwashing facility available.
2. The handwashing facility was out of order and not able to be used in that they did not drain and were clogged.
3. The non-permanent sink was not commercially manufactured.
4. The non-permanent sink's fresh and/or waste water was accessible to children.
5. The non-permanent sink's waste water was not disposed of in a sanitary manner.
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: 09/03/2022

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 items or conditions which may threaten their health, safety, or well-being as noted in numbers 1,3 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. 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: 09/03/2022



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: 09/03/2022

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Emergency Drills

Code: The program is required to complete fire drills, weather drills, and emergency/lockdown drills appropriately.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the required drills were not completed for item numbers 1,2,3 below:

1. Monthly fire drills.
2. Monthly weather emergency drills (March through September).
3. Emergency/lockdown drills in each quarter of the calendar year.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2022

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 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 numbers 9,12,13 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: 05 Health & Safety

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

Code: The program is required to post the current weekly menu in a noticeable location that is accessible to parents and note any substitutions at the time of the change.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program's weekly menu did not meet the requirement as noted in number 1 below.

1. The menu was not posted.
2. The posted menu was not in a visible place readily accessible to parents.
3. The menu was not currently dated.
4. The entire menu was substituted.
5. At least one item on menu did not match what was served.
6. The meal or snack served did not match the posted menu.



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 and Field Trip Procedures

Code: The program is required to take all required safety and health items on trips.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that all required items were not taken on a field trip and/or routine trip as determined in that the item number 2 below was missing:

1. Completed copies of the JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care" (except routine walks);
2. First aid supplies;
3. A working cellular phone or other means of immediate communication (not to be used while a vehicle is in motion);
4. Written record of children on the trip, including which vehicle each child is being transported in and the cellular phone number of the adult in that vehicle who could be contacted in an emergency.

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a written plan that ensures these safety guidelines will be met when children are transported, and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2022

Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures

Code: The program is required to obtain written parental permission before leaving the premises.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that written parental permission was not secured for field trips and/or routine trips off the premises or out of the areas approved for child care, as required. 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 Health Training Requirements

Code: The program is required to have all child care staff members complete training in child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention within sixty days of hire. Staff must complete training in first aid and CPR within the first ninety days of hire.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that at least one child care staff member had not completed required health and safety training as noted in number 1 below:

1. Child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention training was not completed within sixty days of hire.
2. First aid training was not completed within ninety days of hire.
3. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training was not completed within ninety days of hire.
4. The child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention training was expired.
5. The first aid training was expired.
6. The CPR training was expired.

Refer to the Employee Record Chart for the name of the child care staff member who must complete the required health and safety training. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2022

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 a completed medical examination statement 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: 09/03/2022



Domain: 08 Staff Files

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

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

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that required staff record documentation was not on file at the program 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: 09/03/2022

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 numbers 10,11,13 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 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.
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.
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 4.12.23.



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program has obtained a food service exemption status from the local health department.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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
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	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
5101:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The restrooms are used exclusively by the program.



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The center did not have any play equipment that required a fall surface or a fall zone. All toys were brought outside daily for play.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The center did not have any play equipment that required a fall surface or a fall zone.
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: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Trash was stored in trash cans in the classroom and emptied daily.
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 - Driver Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Children were observed boarding and exiting the program's vehicle in a safe manner, during this inspection.
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
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 5.9.22.



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: 5101:2-12-16 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 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The JFS 08087 "Communicable Disease Chart" was posted and was readily available to staff and parents.
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
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
Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Daily schedules were observed posted.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Sufficient equipment was observed in all categories.
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: 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: 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: Child Care Staff Members were observed recording the attendance for each child upon arrival and documenting each child's departure.
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



Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, child care staff were observed meeting the basic needs of all children assigned to the group.
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: 5101:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, child care staff were observed assisting children throughout the day.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Sack lunches were to be stored in the refrigerator.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-24 Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-25 Medication Administration	Compliant	