

Center Complaint Inspection Summary 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 BEST BUDDIES.INC	Program Number 000000100327	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 1402 WEST MAPLE NORTH CANTON OH 44720		County STARK

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) SARAH HEIL-HINTON	Inspection Day 03/19/2025	Begin Time 2:10 PM	End Time 2:35 PM
Summary of Findings			
No. Rules Verified 2	No. Rules with Non-compliances 1	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 1
		No. Low Risk 0	

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Toddlers	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 4	Naptime
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 9	Naptime
Infants	0 to < 12 months	1 to 3	Sleeping/Playtime

Complaint Allegations

If a program disagrees with a licensing finding, the program may request a review of the finding(s). Ohio Administrative Code 5101:2-12-03 and 5101:2-13-03 detail the process for submitting a request for review. The request for review must be submitted within seven business days from the receipt of the licensing report. In addition, if the program is star rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited.

Domain:07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs

Code: The program staff is required to remove any items listed in rule that are a potential suffocation risk from cribs.

Allegation: Items are placed in the cribs when infants are sleeping.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined through observation 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) 1, 4,12 below:

1. Bib
2. Pacifier clip/ribbon
3. Teething jewelry
4. Blanket for infant under twelve months old
5. Pillow
6. Boppy
7. Bumper pad
8. Clothing stored in the crib
9. Diaper bag
10. Object or toy strung over the crib in which a child can pull himself up
11. Stuffed animal that is large/soft enough to conform to the shape of the child's face
12. Other: washcloth & empty bottle.

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.

Risk Level: Moderate

Corrective Action Plan Due: 04/19/2025

Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

No Additional Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection



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Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

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

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Low Risk Non-Compliances

No Low Additional Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

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