



## 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 ABACUS CHILD CARE CENTERS INC	Program Number 000000100374	Program Type Child Care Center	
Address 839 S. ARLINGTON P.O. BOX 7333 AKRON OH 44306		County SUMMIT	
Building Approval Date 04/04/2002	Use Group/Code E	Occupancy Limit 108	Maximum Under 2 ½ 54
Fire Inspection Approval Date 11/29/2023	Food Service Risk Level Level III		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 08/27/2024	Begin Time 9:00 AM	End Time 12:50 PM
Inspection Date 08/27/2024	Begin Time 5:00 PM	End Time 7:30 PM
Reviewer: AQILA BROWN		
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Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 58	No. Rules with Non-compliances 8	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 3	No. Low Risk 7

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)		4	0	4
Young Toddler		5	0	5
<b>Total Under 2 ½ Years</b>	43	9	0	9
Older Toddler		5	0	5
Preschool		14	0	14
School Age		31	0	31



<b>Total Capacity/Enrollment</b>	87	50	0	59
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<b>Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection</b>			
<b>Group</b>	<b>Age Group/Range</b>	<b>Ratio Observed</b>	<b>Comment</b>
School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	1 to 5	Arrival
School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	2 to 8	Lunch
Infant	12 months to < 18 months	1 to 2	Arrival
Infant	12 months to < 18 months	2 to 4	Lunch
Infant	12 months to < 18 months	2 to 4	Nap
Infant	12 months to < 18 months	1 to 4	Evening /Dinner
Toddlers	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 5	Arrival
Toddlers	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 5	Lunch
Toddlers	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 5	Nap
Toddlers	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 3	Evening / Dinner
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 4	Arrival
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 3	Outdoor Play
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 7	Lunch
PS/SA Combined Evening	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 14	Dinner

**Summary of Non-Compliances**

*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.*

<b>Serious Risk Non-Compliances</b>
<b>No Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection</b>

<b>Moderate Risk Non-Compliances</b>
<b>Domain: 01 Ratio &amp; Supervision</b>
<b>Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Child Guidance</b>



**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 had used the inappropriate techniques in number 1 below when managing unacceptable behavior in children:

1. Utilize cruel, harsh, unusual, or extreme techniques; A staff person grabbed and pulled a toddler by the leg, from under a table.
2. Utilize any form of corporal punishment;
3. Delegate children to manage or discipline other children;
4. Use physical restraints on a child;
5. Restrain a child by prone restraint or any means other than holding children for a short period of time, such as in a protective hug, so that the children may regain control;
6. Place children in a locked room or confine children in any enclosed area;
7. Confine children to equipment such as cribs or highchairs;
8. Humiliate, threaten or frighten children;
9. Subject children to profane language or verbal abuse;
10. Make derogatory or sarcastic remarks about children or their families;
11. Punish children for failure to eat or sleep or for toileting accidents;
12. Withhold any food (including snacks and treats), rest or toilet use;
13. Punish an entire group of children due to the unacceptable behavior of one or a few;
14. Isolate and restrict children from all activities for an extended period of time.

Child Care Staff Members and other employees must always use appropriate guidance and management methods with 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: 09/26/2024

**Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

**Rule:** 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment

**Code:** The program is required to store chemicals and machinery in a place that is inaccessible to children. The program is required to provide an outdoor play area away from machinery in operation.

**Finding:** During the inspection, a potentially hazardous item or toxic substance was used or stored in low, unlocked cabinet where children had access to it, as noted in number 1 below.

1. Bleach. (Infant)
2. Cleaning agent.
3. Fish tank chemicals.
4. Gasoline.
5. Pesticide.
6. Poison, including insect/rodent poison.



7. Flammable substance.
8. Windshield washer fluid.
9. Aerosol cans.
10. A lawn mower.
11. A weed trimmer.
12. Hedge trimmers.
13. A snow blower.
14. Other potentially hazardous substance, equipment or machinery: [ ].

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the potentially hazardous substance or item is no longer accessible to children and/or children will not be outside when machinery is in use and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/26/2024

**Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space**

Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones

Code: The program is required to provide adequate fall surface for the outdoor play space.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the playground did not have adequate fall surface under and around equipment as noted in number 2 below:

1. No fall surface
2. Adequate fall surface to soften the impact of a fall
3. Adequate fall surface to soften the impact of a fall that extended the length of the required fall zone
4. Other [ ]

With any equipment designed for climbing, swinging, bouncing, or sliding, resilient material, as specified in Appendix A, needs to be added in order to protect children in the event of a fall. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes written verification of the discontinued use of this equipment until corrections are made along with a description of the resilient material added, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/26/2024



### Low Risk Non-Compliances

#### Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment

Code: The program is required to store chemicals and cleaning and sanitizing supplies in a place that is inaccessible to children. Cleaning agents, aerosol cans and chemical substances must be stored in their original container or clearly labeled. School-age children may use cleaning supplies and equipment with adult supervision.

Finding: During the inspection, a potentially hazardous substance, which was determined to not present a serious risk to a child, was not used or stored properly as noted in number 2 below:

1. Cosmetics were accessible to children in the [ ] area.
2. Disinfecting wipes were accessible to children in the toddler area.
3. Fish food was accessible to children in the [ ] area.
4. Hand lotion was accessible to children in the [ ] area.
5. Hand sanitizer (for children under 24 months) was accessible to children in the [ ] area.
6. Laundry detergent was accessible to children in the [ ] area.
7. Powder dish washing soap was accessible to children in the [ ] area.
8. Paint cans were accessible to children in the [ ] area.
9. White out was accessible to children in the [ ] area.
10. Potting Soil was accessible to children in the [ ] area.
11. Other potentially hazardous substance [ ] was accessible to children in the [ ] area.
12. Cleaning/sanitizing supplies had not been clearly labeled.
13. School-age children were using cleaning supplies, agents and/or equipment without adult supervision.
14. A spray aerosol was used in the [ ] group while children were in attendance.
15. Other: [ ].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/26/2024

#### Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

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

Code: The program is required to provide a clean restroom with the appropriate materials available.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that unsanitary conditions, as noted in number 9 below, were in the toddler restroom:

1. There was no liquid soap.



2. There was no toilet paper.
3. There were no paper towels.
4. The toilet cleaning brush was accessible to the children.
5. The plunger was accessible to the children.
6. The toilet(s) were not flushed.
7. The trash was not emptied from the day before.
8. There was a strong urine odor.
9. Other; Toilet tank cover missing

The restrooms must be kept sanitary at all times. 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: During the inspection, it was determined that children were not protected from item or condition which may threaten their health, safety, or well-being as noted in number 2 below:

1. Surge protectors/outlets did not have childproof receptacle covers.
2. Open pull cords that are not closed loop. (Preschool)
3. Toys or other items small enough to be swallowed were present in the space where infants and/or toddlers were in care.
4. Electrical/extension cords attached to an object that would not likely result in a severe injury if pulled.
5. Stacked chairs.
6. Employee(s) purse(s).
7. Diaper bags.
8. Television not securely anchored.
9. Small or lightweight pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.
10. Smoke detector needing batteries replaced.
11. An area rug did not have a nonskid backing.
12. An area rug presented a tripping hazard.
13. A floor surface that was unsafe in that [ ].
14. No platform was provided for the sink or toilet in the [ ] classroom.
15. The platform provided for the sink or toilet in the [ ] classroom was not sturdy.
16. The platform provided for the sink or toilet in the [ ] classroom posed a safety hazard in that [ ].
17. Telephone cords.
18. Staff member stepped over a barrier/gate while holding a child.
19. Emergency exits were blocked by the following classroom furniture: [ ].



20. A mercury thermometer was being used to take a child's temperature.
21. Methods of ventilation used did not provide protection from rodents, insects, or other hazards.
22. 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.

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**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 trash and foreign objects.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the outdoor play space was not free of trash or foreign objects as noted in number 8 below:

1. The outdoor area was littered with trash.
2. The trash can was missing a lid.
3. The trash can was not emptied from the day(s) before.
4. The trash can was overflowing with trash.
5. The trash can was infested with insects.
6. The trash can was visibly dirty.
7. There was broken glass.
8. There were tall weeds.
9. There was poison ivy.
10. There were tree branches.
11. There was mold visible.
12. There were thistles with prickles.
13. There were bird droppings.
14. The sandbox was contaminated.
15. Other [ ].

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

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**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications

Code: The program administrator is required to complete the rules course review within the defined time period.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the administrator had not completed the required rules review course provided by this Department for program administrators within the time period defined in this rule. 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 members 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: 09/26/2024

**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 numbers 2-6 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 names of the child care staff members who must complete the required health and safety trainings. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/26/2024

**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	
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: A copy of the certificate of occupancy was available on-site for review.
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 11/29/2024.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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: KWET-D2HK73; Expires 3-1-2025
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The administrator's hours of availability to meet with parents were posted in a noticeable location.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The written policies and procedures reviewed on the day of the inspection were verified as complete.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Medical Statement	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All employees had current medical statements on file.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection	Compliant	
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
5101:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	
5101:2-12-11 Separation of Children Under 2 1/2 Years	Compliant	
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.
5101:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Staff and children were observed washing hands as required by the rule.
5101:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Children leaving on a field trip were observed to be seated and restrained according to the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code, as required.
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The driver(s) had completed the required ODJFS driver training.
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 8/19/2024
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: At the time of the inspection, there were no children currently enrolled who had health conditions.
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 Emergency Drills	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Documentation for completed fire, weather, and emergency/lockdown drills was verified during this inspection.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the program had complete first aid kits available 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 JFS 01299 "Incident/Injury Report For Child Care"



		forms reviewed during this inspection were complete as required.
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
Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Outdoor play was observed for the preschool group.
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: Staff/child ratios observed during the inspection were in compliance.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-18 Group Size	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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: Child Care Staff Members were supervising the children and were able to intervene as needed.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Cots were placed appropriately and safely during nap time.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cribs	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Cribs were separated from the play space by a safe and sturdy and physical barrier.
Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cribs	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All cribs were labeled with the assigned infant's name.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The written security plan was reviewed.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program served the following: Lunch: Taco with flour tortilla, ground beef, tomato and cheese, pears, corn and milk; Dinner: Rigatoni with beef in tomato sauce, carrots, mixed fruit and milk
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements	Compliant	
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: An appropriate program of activities with infants was observed.



Rule: 5101:2-12-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Appropriate daily written records for all infants were viewed.
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
Rule: 5101:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Bottles and opened food were stored in a refrigerator located in the classroom.
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
Rule: 5101:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Appropriate diaper changing procedures were observed during the inspection in the infant room.
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
Rule: 5101:2-12-25 Medication Administration	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.
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
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.
<b>Rule</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Documenting Statement(s), If applicable</b>
Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Annual training of the written disaster plan was completed by staff.