



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 EARLY STEPS LEARNING CENTER	Program Number 000000300561	Program Type Child Care Center	
Address 1601 DRENIK DRIVE #2-4 WICKLIFFE OH 44092		County LAKE	
Building Approval Date 04/17/2014	Use Group/Code E	Occupancy Limit 118	Maximum Under 2 ½
Fire Inspection Approval Date 03/02/2022	Food Service Risk Level Level IV		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 11/18/2022	Begin Time 9:30 AM	End Time 1:20 PM
Reviewer: Erica Adams		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 58	No. Rules with Non-compliances 4	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 1	No. Low Risk 3

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)		5	0	5
Young Toddler		7	0	7
Total Under 2 ½ Years	40	12	0	12
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		11	0	11
School Age		17	0	17
Total Capacity/Enrollment	118	28	0	40

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



Infant	0 to < 12 months	1 to 3	Programming
Infant	0 to < 12 months	1 to 2	Programming
Toddler	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 5	Programming
Toddler	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 6	Programming
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	Bathroom/Hallway
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	Programming

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.

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(s) 6 and 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(s) 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: 12/18/2022

Low Risk Non-Compliances

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 8 below:

1. No medical was on file for at least one child
2. Medical(s) on file was 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. The date of the exam was more than 13 months prior to the date the form was signed.
6. Medical(s) were missing a statement that the child has been examined and is in suitable condition for participation in group care
7. 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
8. Medical(s) were missing a record of immunizations the child has had specifying month, day and year
9. 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
10. 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
11. Other []

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/18/2022

Domain: 10 Written Policies & Procedures

Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan

Code: The program is required to train child care staff members and employees on the written disaster plan annually and keep written documentation of the training on-site.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program's written disaster plan did not meet the requirement for training child care staff members and employees on the plan annually as noted in number 2 below:

1. Child care staff members and employees were not trained annually.
2. Written documentation of the training was not kept on file.



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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/18/2022

Domain: 10 Written Policies & Procedures

Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures

Code: The program's policies and procedures are required to include all topics outlined in rule.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program's written policies and procedures provided to the parents/guardians and employees was missing item number 15 below:

General Information

1. Program name, address, email address and telephone number.
2. Description of the program's program philosophy.
3. Days and hours of operation, scheduled closings and basic daily schedule.
4. Staff/child ratios and group size.
5. Opportunities for parent involvement in program activities.
6. Opportunities for parents to meet with teachers regarding their child.
7. Payment schedule, overtime charges and registration fees as applicable.
8. Supports for onsite breastfeeding or pumping for mothers who wish to do so (if the program serves infants or toddlers).

Program Policies and Procedures

9. Enrollment including required enrollment information.
10. Care of children without immunizations.
11. Attendance including procedures for arrival and departure, the program's absent day policy, releasing child to persons other than the parent, releasing a child according to a custody agreement and follow up when a child scheduled to arrive from another program or activity does not arrive.
12. Supervision of children, including a separate supervision policy for school-age children, if applicable.
13. Child guidance.
14. Suspension and expulsion.
15. Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), including administering medication to children with disabilities and administering care procedures to children with disabilities.
16. Outdoor play, including limitations placed on outdoor play due to weather or safety issues (considerations may include but are not limited to temperature, humidity, wind chill, ozone levels, pollen count, lightning, rain or ice.)
17. Food and dietary policy, including, information regarding meeting one-third of the child's recommended daily dietary allowance, policy regarding formula, breast milk, meals and snacks, and a policy on providing supplemental food.
18. Management of illness including isolation precautions, symptoms for discharge and return and notification of parent of ill child.
19. Summary of procedures taken in the event of an emergency, serious illness or injury.



- 20. Administration of medication and topical products including medical foods, modified diets and whether school age children are permitted to carry their own medication and ointments.
- 21. Transportation for fieldtrips, routine trips (if applicable) and emergencies, including if the center will provide child care services to children whose parents refuse to grant consent for transportation to the source of emergency treatment.
- 22. Water activities/swimming.
- 23. Infant care, if applicable, including feeding, frequency of diaper checks and information about daily activities.
- 24. Sleeping, Napping and Resting.
- 25. Evening and overnight care, if applicable.
- 26. Policy on hours of operation including closing due to weather, school delays or closings and any other factors.
- 27. Situations that may require disenrollment of a child, if applicable.
- 28. Problem or issue resolution for parents or employees to follow when needing assistance in resolving problems related to the child care program.
- 29. Formal screenings and assessments on enrolled children and if the program reports child level data to ODJFS pursuant to 5101:2-17-02 of the Administrative Code.

Revise the program’s written policies and procedures to include the missing information. Submit the program’s corrective action plan, which includes the revised written policies and procedures, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/18/2022

Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-02 License Posted	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection	Compliant	
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 3/2/23.
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: JCAE-CBWPES and 3/1/23.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-05 Denial, Revocation and Suspension	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-08 Medical Statement	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements	Compliant	
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
5101:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, all child care staff members had completed the required amount of professional development training.
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 Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The quarterly playground inspections were completed and documented, as required. The most recent inspection report form was dated 10/17/22.
5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	
5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	
5101:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	
5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment	Compliant	
5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	
5101:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	
5101:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	
5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements	Compliant	
Rule: 5101:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: An annual safety check of the vehicle(s), VIN ending 2907, using the JFS 01230 "Vehicle Inspection Report For Child Care Centers" form, was verified and dated 6/10/22.
5101:2-12-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan	Compliant	
5101:2-12-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	
5101:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions	Compliant	
5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	
5101:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting	Compliant	
5101:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable



5101:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	
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
5101:2-12-18 Attendance Records	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	
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
5101:2-12-20 Cribs	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	
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
5101:2-12-23 Infant Daily Care	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
5101:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training	Compliant	
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	