

Licensing Inspection Full Report

All licensed early care and education programs are inspected at least once each year. Non-compliances are documented and grouped by risk level. Documenting statements, technical assistance provided and supplemental information may be included in this report. Licensing inspection reports from the previous three years can be viewed on the Department of Children & Youth website at <https://childcaresearch.ohio.gov/>. This includes complaint investigation reports with substantiated allegations. For any other early care and education records, please contact the Family and Customer Support Center at 1-844-234-5437.

Program Details		
Program Name Helen Arnold Community Learning Center	Program Number 1240030385	Program Type Pre School
Address 450 Vernon Odom Boulevard Akron OH 44307	County SUMMIT	

Organization Name: Akron City	Org IRN: 043489	Site IRN: 009107
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Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Method On-site Inspection	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 09/30/2026	Begin Time 9:30 AM	End Time 12:30 PM	Reviewer: AQILA BROWN

Summary of Findings			
No. Requirements Verified 69	No. Requirements with Non-compliances 3	No. Requirements Compliant 59	
No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk Findings 0	No. Other Non-compliance Findings 3	No. Technical Assistance Provided 3

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection				
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Compliance	Comment
Room 140 Part Day	3 years to < 4 years	3 to 6	In Compliance	9:45 am Activities
Room 140 Part Day	3 years to < 4 years	3 to 6	In Compliance	10:50 am

				Snack
Room 142 Full Day	4 years to < 5 years	2 to 13	In Compliance	9:30 am Outdoor Play
Room 142 Full Day	4 years to < 5 years	2 to 14	In Compliance	10:50 am Lunch
Room 142 Full Day	4 years to < 5 years	2 to 14	In Compliance	12:20 pm Nap

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 5180:2-12-03, 5180:2-13-03, 5180:2-19-10 and 5180:2-20-02 detail the process for submitting a request for review. The request for review must be submitted within ten business days from the receipt of the licensing report. In addition, if the program is Step Up To Quality rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

A serious risk non-compliance is a licensing rule violation that has the potential to lead to a great risk of harm to a child and is observable and/or based on facts.

No serious risk non-compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

A moderate risk non-compliance is a licensing rule violation that has the potential to lead to a great risk of harm to a child and is observable and/or based on facts.

No moderate risk non-compliances were observed during this inspection

Other Non-Compliances

This section includes other rule violations that are observable and/or based on facts.

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-20-05 Safe Environment

Requirement: 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 items or conditions which may threaten their health, safety, or well-being. The following was observed:

1. There are looping cords in both classrooms.
2. There are area rugs that cause a tripping hazard, in that the rugs are not secured to the floor.

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: 10/30/2026

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-20-05 Emergency Phone Numbers

Requirement: The program is required to post emergency phone numbers.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that emergency phone numbers were not posted in a visible location readily accessible to staff in each space used by the children. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/30/2026

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180-37-04 Health and Safety Training

Requirement: The rule requires the program to ensure staff members complete required health and safety trainings.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that at least one individual counted in ratio or left alone with children had not completed required health and safety training in that, at least one staff person did not have a current First Aid training on file. Refer to the Employee Record Chart for the name of the individual 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.

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Technical Assistance Provided

This section documents technical assistance provided to the program when the program demonstrated an overall level of compliance with a rule requirement.

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180-37-04 Preschool Staff Member Medical Statement

Requirement: This rule requires any individual who may have an assigned schedule with a preschool child (or group) or may be used to count in ratio to have evidence of a signed medical statement on file on or before the first day of employment.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined verification of staff medical statements was not on file as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: ORC 3301.531 Preschool Staff Member TB Screening

Requirement: The program is required to have every director, staff member and nonteaching employee provide evidence of tuberculosis (TB) screening prior to the first day of employment. Additional TB testing may be required if the individual meets the screening criteria.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined verification of TB screening was not on file as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-20-08 Child Cumulative Records

Requirement: The program is required to secure and have on file required information by the first day of attendance for all children.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the child's cumulative record was missing required information. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

In Compliance/Not Verified/Previously Verified/Not Applicable

This section documents rule requirements that were assessed as fully compliant, previously verified, not verified during this inspection or not applicable to the program.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 Education Management Information System Reporting	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 Current Information	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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Rule: 5180:2-20-02 License Posted

Compliant

Documenting Statement: The license was posted in a conspicuous location and visible to the public as required.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 License Capacity	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-05 Building Requirements	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: 5180:2-20-05 Fire Inspection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the program had a current fire inspection on file.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-05 Outdoor Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the program reported the outdoor play space is regulated by City of Akron.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Sleeping and Napping	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180-37-04 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Staff/child ratios observed during the inspection were in compliance.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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Rule: 5180:2-20-05 Sanitary
Environment

Compliant

Documenting Statement: The environment, furniture, materials, and equipment were kept in a sanitary condition at all times.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Group Size	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Attendance Records	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-10 Child Guidance	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Appropriate child guidance and behavior management techniques and practices were observed being used during the inspection.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Cots and Mats	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-06 Safe Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Equipment was observed to be in good condition.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-06 Sanitary Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the equipment was observed to be clean.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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Rule: 5180:2-20-07 Handwashing

Compliant

Documenting Statement: Staff were viewed washing their hands, as required by the rule.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 Serious Incident Reporting	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Parent Notification of Incidents/Injuries	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180-37-04 Emergency Drills	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Documentation for completed fire drills, rapid dismissals, tornado drills, and school safety drills was verified during this inspection.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-09 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Meals offered at the program included foods from the five food groups in sufficient amounts.
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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-06 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: 5180:2-20-11 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The DCY 08087 "Communicable Disease Chart" was posted and was readily available to staff and parents.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-03 Written Curriculum Adopted and Aligned	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program had adopted a curriculum that aligned at the domain level to the early learning and development standards.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-03 Daily Schedule	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The following activities were observed: Outdoor Play, music and movement, planting seeds

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-09 Food Service Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The food service license was observed posted. Following is the audit number and date of expiration: KWET-DRDL&M; Expires 3-1-2027

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Progress Reports and Teacher Conferences	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 On-site Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Swimming and Water Safety Permission Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Off-site Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Infant/Toddler Space	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Cribs - Safe Environment and Practices	Not Applicable	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-12 Diapering Practices	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Appropriate diaper changing procedures were observed during the inspection in the preschool room.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-09 Infant Food and Formula	Not Applicable	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Preschool Director Qualifications	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180-37-04 Preschool Director Responsibilities	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding administrator responsibilities and requirements were discussed.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180-37-04 Preschool Staff Member Education	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All preschool staff members had verification of educational requirements on file at the program.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Staff Non-Discrimination	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180-37-04 Preschool Staff Member Orientation Training	Compliant	Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, all preschool staff members had met orientation training requirements.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180-37-04 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
5180:2-20-03 Parent Notification and Participation Policies	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Professional Development and In-service Training	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Medication Documentation	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Medication Administration Practices	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Medication Storage	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Child Immunization Records	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-10 Written Child Guidance Policy	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Child Health Records	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Written Program Philosophy and Goals	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Operating Policies and Procedures	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-11 Written Management of Communicable Disease Policy	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 Amendments to the License	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-09 Specialized Diets	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Cribs - Placement	Not Applicable	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-12 Diapering Supplies	Compliant	