



## 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://ifs.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<br>SMART START ACADEMY CHILD CARE & LEARNING CENTER II |                | Program Number<br>2170012902         | Program Type<br>Child Care Center |
| Address<br>444 W HARDING RD SPRINGFIELD<br>OH<br>45504              |                |                                      | County<br>CLARK                   |
| Building Approval Date  | Use Group/Code | Occupancy Limit                      | Maximum Under 2 ½                 |
| Fire Inspection Approval Date<br>11/26/2025                         |                | Food Service Risk Level<br>Level III |                                   |

| Inspection Information        |                                      |                                  |                        |                    |
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| Inspection Type<br>Annual     | Inspection Scope<br>Full             | Inspection Notice<br>Unannounced |                        |                    |
| Inspection Date<br>01/14/2026 | Begin Time<br>10:50 AM               | End Time<br>4:10 PM              |                        |                    |
| Reviewer:<br>Bradie McAfee    |                                      |                                  |                        |                    |
| Summary of Findings           |                                      |                                  |                        |                    |
| No. Rules Verified<br>58      | No. Rules with Non-compliances<br>10 | No. Serious Risk<br>0            | No. Moderate Risk<br>0 | No. Low Risk<br>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)                                 |                  | 13         | 0         |           | 13         |
| Young Toddler   |                  | 12         | 0         |           | 12         |
| <b>Total Under 2 ½ Years</b>                              | <b>38</b>        | <b>25</b>  | <b>0</b>  |           | <b>25</b>  |
| Older Toddler   |                  | 6          | 0         |           | 6          |
| Preschool   |                  | 64         | 0         |           | 64         |
| School Age  |                  | 16         | 0         |           | 16         |
| <b>Total Capacity/Enrollment</b>                          | <b>156</b>       | <b>86</b>  | <b>0</b>  |           | <b>111</b> |

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

|               |                          |         |     |
|---------------|--------------------------|---------|-----|
| Infant        | 0 to < 12 months         | 2 to 8  |     |
| Infant        | 0 to < 12 months         | 2 to 8  |     |
| Toddler Right | 12 months to < 18 months | 2 to 11 |     |
| Toddler Right | 12 months to < 18 months | 2 to 11 | nap |
| Preschool 2   | 3 years to < 4 years     | 1 to 10 | nap |
| Preschool 2   | 3 years to < 4 years     | 1 to 10 |     |
| Toddler Left  | 18 months to < 30 months | 1 to 7  |     |
| Toddler Left  | 18 months to < 30 months | 1 to 7  | nap |
| Preschool 4   | 4 years to < 5 years     | 1 to 13 | nap |
| Preschool 4   | 4 years to < 5 years     | 1 to 14 |     |
| Preschool 1   | 3 years to < 4 years     | 1 to 12 |     |
| Preschool 1   | 3 years to < 4 years     | 1 to 12 | nap |
| Preschool 3   | 3 years to < 4 years     | 1 to 10 |     |
| Preschool 3   | 3 years to < 4 years     | 1 to 10 |     |
| School Age    | School-Age to < 11 years | 1 to 11 |     |

### 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 and 5180:2-13-03 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

No Moderate Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

### **Low Risk Non-Compliances**

#### **Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance

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 used a discipline technique to guide or discipline child(ren) that was not developmentally appropriate, consistent, or occurred at the time of the incident. 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: 02/13/2026

#### **Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Supervision

Code: The program staff is required to supervise children in their assigned group by sight and hearing. Supervision includes being near enough to respond and reach children immediately including responding to the child's basic needs and protecting them from harm.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that children were not being properly supervised as noted in number 4 below:

1. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member during indoor play.
2. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member during outdoor play.
3. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member more than once.
4. Staff were not physically present in the space and near enough to respond and reach the child(ren) immediately.
5. Other: [ ].

Children must be supervised according to rule and within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member at all times. 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: 02/13/2026

**Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 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 at least one area of the program or at least one piece of equipment had chipping or peeling paint. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/13/2026

**Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 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(s) or condition(s) which may threaten their health, safety, or well-being as noted in numbers 1, 11, 12 and 13 below:

1. Surge protectors/outlets did not have childproof receptacle covers.
2. Open pull cords that are not closed loop.
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 lifting and can cause tripping.
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.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/13/2026

#### **Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-13 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 6 below, were in the Preschool 2 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 [ ].

The restroom(s) 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: 03 Postings & Equipment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment

Code: The program is required to have enough equipment for all children in care.

**Finding:** During the inspection, it was determined that equipment and materials in the following categories were not provided in sufficient quantities for children in the Toddler Left, Toddler Right, Preschool 1 and Preschool 3 classrooms, as required: 2, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

1. Art supplies (excludes infants)
2. Manipulative materials and equipment
3. Blocks
4. Science-nature equipment (excludes infants)
5. Language arts and auditory materials and equipment
6. Pretend or dramatic play materials
7. Music equipment
8. Transportation materials and equipment
9. Gross motor equipment
10. Sensory motor equipment
11. School age children were not provided sufficient equipment and materials in at least five of the first nine categories above.

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: 03 Postings & Equipment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule

Code: The program is required to have the daily program schedule posted in all required areas.

**Finding:** During the inspection, it was determined that a copy of the daily program schedule was not posted in the Preschool 1 and Preschool 4 area 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: 07 Diapering & Infant Care**

Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs

**Code:** The program is required to obtain written permission from parents of children who are over 12 months old and will be using a cot/mat instead of a crib.

**Finding:** During the inspection, it was determined that an infant who was 12 months or older was assigned to a cot without written permission from the parent, as required by 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:** 5180:2-12-08 Medical Statement

**Code:** The program staff's medical statements are required to be completed and on file at the program.

**Finding:** In review of the staff records, it was determined that the medical statements for the employees listed on the Employee Record Chart did not meet the requirements as listed in numbers 1 and 6abcd below.

1. A medical statement was not on file for at least one employee;
2. The medical statement(s) on file did not have a date of examination within 12 months of the employee's first day of employment;
3. Date of examination was missing;
4. Signature, business address, or telephone number of the licensed physician, physician assistant, advanced practice nurse, certified midwife, or certified nurse practitioner who completed the examination was missing;
5. A statement was missing that verifies the employee is:
  - a. Physically fit for employment in a program caring for children;
  - b. Immunized against Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap);
  - c. Immunized against Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR);
6. Tuberculosis (TB) screening/test information was missing:
  - a. Documentation of the screening process to determine if the employee resided in a country identified by the world health organization as having a high burden of TB and arrived in the United States within the five years preceding the date of application for employment.
  - b. Results of a TB test for employees meeting both criteria in 6a.
  - c. Results of additional testing for employees with a positive TB test.
  - d. Written statement, signed by a representative of the TB control unit, that the employee's TB is no longer infectious or the individual is receiving a TB treatment regimen for employees with a positive TB test.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the completed employee medical statement, or TB results/documentation, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/13/2026

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-10 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, 3, 5 and 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 name(s) of the child care staff member(s) who must complete the required health and safety training(s). Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/15/2026

**Domain: 09 Children's Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-15 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 numbers 1, 2 and 7 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: 02/13/2026

#### **Domain: 09 Children's Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-15 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 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12 and 14 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  |
|---|-----------|--|
| 5180:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan          | Compliant |  |
| Rule  | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-02 License Posted                 | Compliant |  |
| Rule  | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection | Compliant |  |
| Rule  | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-02 Current Information            | Compliant |  |
| Rule  | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements        | Compliant |  |
| Rule  | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Fire Inspection          | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Although the program had documentation of a current fire inspection without any uncorrected violations at the time of the licensing inspection, the program did not have the fire inspection completed within 12 months from the date of the last fire inspection without any uncorrected violations. Please ensure that fire inspections are completed in accordance with the rule requirements. |



| Rule  | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|-----------|---|
| 5180:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements                        | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications                     | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements      | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures          | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements                    | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements            | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements                        | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-11 Separation of Children Under 2 1/2 Years         | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements                       | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment                                   | Compliant |   |
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| 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment                      | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones                     | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements                    | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment                      | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures    | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements        | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements       | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| Rule: 5180:2-12-15 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  |
| 5180:2-12-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Drills                            | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions              | Compliant |  |
| Rule   | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable  |
| 5180:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease          | Compliant |  |

| Rule  | Status    | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|-----------|---|
| 5180:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting          | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records                 | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-18 Group Size                         | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play                 | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-18 License Capacity                   | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-18 Ratio                              | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping                   | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements        | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage         | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements            | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-23 Infant Daily Care                  | Compliant |   |
| 5180:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation | Compliant |   |
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|--|---------------------|---|
| 5180:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training     | Compliant           |   |
| Rule<br>5180:2-12-25 Medication Administration | Status<br>Compliant | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |