



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 Almira Early Learning Center	Program Number 2180017026	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 9800 Almira Avenue Cleveland OH 44102		County CUYAHOGA

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) Brittani Aloï	Inspection Day 09/29/2023	Begin Time 1:00 PM	End Time 1:45 PM

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 5	No. Rules with Non-compliances 4	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 2	No. Low Risk 2

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Infants	0 to < 12 months	1 to 5	
Toddler/Preschool	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 7	



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.

No Complaints were observed during this inspection.

Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

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

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-19 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.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that a Child Care Staff Member had used the inappropriate techniques in number(s) 7 below when managing unacceptable behavior in children:

1. Utilize cruel, harsh, unusual, or extreme techniques;
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: 10/29/2023

Domain:07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cribs

Code: The program is required to place infants in cribs while sleeping.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the equipment in number(s) 8 below had been used for sleeping infants and did not allow the infant to sleep on a firm mattress:

1. Mesh cribs;
2. Play pens;
3. Bassinets;
4. Cots;
5. Car seats;
6. Infant swing;
7. The floor;
8. Infant seats;
9. An infant placed in a car seat in a crib;
10. Other [].

Infants must be provided with a crib, which meets requirements specified in this rule, for resting and sleeping. Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that staff training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/29/2023



Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping

Code: The program is required to provide sufficient lighting when the children rest, nap, or sleep.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the area used when children rest, nap or sleep was not lighted sufficiently to allow child care staff visual supervision of the children 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:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Attendance Records

Code: The program is required to maintain a record of the arrival and departure of each child. The program is also required to retain the original attendance record at the center for a period of one year.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for keeping an attendance record as listed in number(s) 3, 4, 6 below:

1. No attendance record was being maintained.
2. The attendance record was not being consistently completed.
3. The record did not include the name of at least one child.
4. The record did not include the birth date of at least one child.
5. The record did not include the assigned group.
6. The record did not include the child's weekly schedule.
7. The record did not include the time (hours and minutes) of each child's arrival and departure to the program, including transportation by the program.
8. The original attendance record was not kept at the program for a period of one year.

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

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