



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 Little Sprouts Learning Academy, LLC	Program Number 2190019607	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 10200 Hamilton Ave. Cincinnati OH 45231		County HAMILTON

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) KEYAUNA BABER	Inspection Day 05/31/2022	Begin Time 12:05 PM	End Time 1:45 PM

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 7	No. Rules with Non-compliances 5	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 4	No. Low Risk 2

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Infant	0 to < 12 months	1 to 4	
Toddler	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 6	
PS/Sa	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 21	Combined PS and SA



Complaint Allegations

If the program is star rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited. Ohio Administrative Code 5101: 2-12-03 details the process for submitting a request for a review if a program disagrees with a licensing finding. The request for review must be submitted within seven days from the receipt of the licensing report.

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Ratio

Code: The program is required to maintain the appropriate staff to child ratio for each group served.

Allegation: The complainant alleged that staff child ratio is not maintained.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, a ratio of 1 child care staff member(s) for 21 children was determined to have occurred for the combined preschool and school age group when the situation in number(s) 7 below occurred:

1. A child care staff member stepped out of the room.
2. A child care staff member had not arrived at work on time.
3. Children were present who were not scheduled to be there.
4. A child care staff member was unable to work.
5. A child was injured in that group.
6. A child arrived in the group before a second staff member was scheduled to arrive with the group.
7. Two groups were combined, and the program did not follow the ratio for the youngest child in the group.
8. A child was transitioning to the next older age group, and the program did not follow the ratio for the youngest child in the group.
9. Ratio was doubled for more than two hours while children were napping.
10. Ratio was doubled while children were napping for a group that included at least one infant.
11. Ratio was doubled while children were napping and there were not enough staff members in the building to meet staff/child ratio.
12. Ratio was doubled in the school age group to allow access to the program, however, the program does not serve only school age children.
13. Both child care staff members did not have a working communication device when one staff member left the group to allow access to the school age only program.
14. The child care staff member did not return to the group after allowing access to the school age only program.
15. Other [].

Additional child care staff members must be hired or current child care staff members must be rescheduled to maintain compliance. 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.

Risk Level: Moderate

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/03/2022

Domain:05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements

Code: Meals and snacks provided or served by the program must include all required food groups and meet the recommended daily dietary allowances as specified by the USDA.

Allegation: The complainant alleged that meals do not meet the requirements.

Determination: Substantiated



Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that a meal or snack at the program did not meet the requirements as noted in number(s) 7 below:

1. The breakfast served did not include foods from three of the four good groups.
2. Snack served did not include foods from two of the four food groups.
3. The meal did not provide 1/3 of the recommended daily dietary allowances as specified by the USDA.
4. Juice used to meet the fruit or snack component was not 100% undiluted fruit or vegetable juice.
5. The meal served did not include an item from the meat or meat alternative group.
6. The meal served did not include an item from the bread or grain group.
7. The meal served did not include two items from the fruit/vegetable group.
8. The meal served did not include a vegetable (two fruits were served).
9. The meal served did not include a serving of fluid milk.

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

Risk Level: Moderate

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/03/2022

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:00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection

Code: The program is required to refrain from using space that did not receive building approval and from caring for children in spaces not approved for that age group. The program is required to refrain from using a remodeled or modified space before obtaining building approval. The program is required to maintain building occupancy limitations.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program was using space for child care in a manner that was not approved by the Ohio Department of Commerce or local certified building authority as noted in number(s) 6 below:

1. The [] room or space was not approved.



2. Children under school age were being cared for in a building only approved for school age.
3. The space had been modified and not yet re-inspected and approved.
4. The [] floor, which had not been approved by the building department for child care, was being used.
5. The building limitation had been exceeded. [] children were being cared for and the building had been approved for [] children.
6. The school age room(s) occupancy had been exceeded. 21 children were being cared for in this space that had been approved for 10 children.
7. Care was provided to [] children less than two and one-half years of age. This violated the program's building code limitation in that, [].

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes building approval for use of this space, a written statement that the building occupancy limitations are being maintained, or a written statement that it is no longer being used, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/03/2022

Domain:08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements

Code: The program is required to have documentation from ODJFS, indicating the individual is eligible to be employed in child care, on file before allowing the staff to have sole responsibility of children.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that child care staff member(s) had sole responsibility of children in the infant group(s) and neither a preliminary approval nor the JFS 01176 "Program Notification of Background Check Review for Child Care" were on file as required. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the JFS 01176 or a statement that the child care staff member(s) no longer have sole responsibility of children, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/03/2022

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Group Size

Code: The program must ensure 35 square feet per child is maintained when combining multiple groups of children in a shared undivided space.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined multiple groups of children over two and one half years were combined in a shared, undivided space and the group exceeded the 35 square feet per child limitation specific to the space. There were 21 children in attendance at one time and the program's usable floor space allowed for 10 children in this space. 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 Group Size

Code: The program is required to maintain the appropriate group size for each group of children served.

Findings: During the inspection, group size limitations were not maintained for the group of combined preschool and school age as it was determined there were 21 children grouped together. The group size shall not exceed twice the maximum number of children allowed per Child Care Staff Member. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/03/2022