

## 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 H.HILLS LEARNING ACADEMY	Program Number 2200021241	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 5881 CHANTRY DRIVE COLUMBUS OH 43232		County FRANKLIN

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) BEVERLY JAMES	Inspection Day 06/12/2025	Begin Time 10:30 AM	End Time 1:15 PM
Summary of Findings			
No. Rules Verified 9	No. Rules with Non-compliances 7	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 4
No. Low Risk 4			

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Infant 2	12 months to < 18 months	1 to 6	
School Age	5 years to < Kindergarten	1 to 23	out of ratio
Toddler	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 8	Toddler groups combined. Out of ratio
School Age 2	School-Age to < 11 years	1 to 8	
PreK	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 14	
Infant	0 to < 12 months	1 to 4	
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 16	

### 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.*

#### Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio

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

Allegation: The program does not maintain the appropriate staff to child ratio for each group served.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, required staff/child ratios were not maintained for [the same group/different groups] on multiple occasions, as noted below:

The ratio determined for the school age group was 1 Child Care Staff Member(s) for 23 children. Additionally, a ratio of 1 Child Care Staff Member(s) for 8 children was determined for the toddler group.

Additional 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: 07/17/2025

#### Domain:03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule

Code: The program is required to have a balance of activities daily.

Allegation: The program does not have a balance of activities daily.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that all classroom(s) did not have a well-balanced program as noted in number(s) 1,2 below:

1. The classroom(s) did not provide opportunities for a balance of quiet and active play;
2. The classroom(s) did not provide activities to promote the children's physical, social-emotional, cognitive and language development;
3. The classroom(s) did not provide opportunities for child initiated activities.

A well-balanced program of activities suitable to the developmental levels and abilities of each child in care shall be implemented on a daily basis. 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 required at this time.

Risk Level: Low

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/17/2025

**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: 5180:2-12-04 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. 23 children were being cared for in this space that had been approved for 20 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.

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**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 and protecting them from harm.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that children were left unattended while inside the program as noted in number(s) 3 below:

1. Child(ren) were left unattended once.
2. Child(ren) were left unattended more than once.
3. Child(ren) left the group and were unattended. (Children running out of classroom.)
4. Child care staff were using a baby monitor to supervise children.
5. Child care staff were using a walkie talkie to supervise children.
6. Child care staff were using mirrors to view children in another room.
7. Child care staff were using a video camera instead of physically being present in the room.
8. Other [ ].

Children must be supervised and within 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: 07/17/2025

#### **Domain:07 Diapering & Infant Care**

Rule: 5180:2-12-20 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; (Infant room)
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.

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### Low Risk Non-Compliances

**Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 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) 2,3,4,6,7 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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**Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records

Code: The program is required to have a method for tracking the children in each group. The tracking method must be updated throughout the day and kept with the group at all times.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the method for tracking children in each group did not meet the requirements of the rule as noted in number(s) 1 below:

1. There was no method in place;
2. The method did not include each child's name;
3. The method did not include each child's date of birth;
4. The tracking method did not remain with the group at all times;
5. The tracking method was not updated throughout the day as children entered or left the group.

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

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**Domain:02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment

Code: The program is required to use equipment, that is safe and hazard free, according to the manufacturer's guidelines. Fans, air conditioners, heat pumps, and space heaters must be inaccessible to children. The program is required to refrain

from using trampolines, ball pits and inflatable equipment intended for climbing and bouncing, including but not limited to slides and bounce houses.

Findings: During the inspection, equipment was determined to be unsafe, hazardous to children, or in need of repair as noted in number(s) 3 below:

1. Manufacturer's guidelines for the [ ] were not followed in that [ ].
2. The straps were missing on the [ ].
3. The straps were attached, but were not used on the Bouncy seat in infant room.
4. The straps were attached and were used, but were not used in a safe manner.
5. The equipment had sharp points or corners.
6. The equipment had splinters.
7. The equipment had protruding nails.
8. The equipment had loose or rusty parts.
9. The equipment had paint which contains lead or other poisonous materials.
10. The equipment had hazardous features.
11. A fan was unstable and could easily tip over.
12. A fan had openings a finger could enter.
13. The pipes from the heat pump felt hot to the touch
14. A space heater felt hot to the touch
15. The position of a space heater was a tripping hazard
16. The air conditioning unit was not enclosed and was accessible to children on the playground.
17. A ball pit, trampoline, inflatable bounce house, inflatable slide, or inflatable equipment used for climbing and bouncing was used.
18. Other [ ].

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

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