



Family Child Care 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://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 Sister Sister first Step Academy, LLC	Program Number 2210025374	Program Type FCC - Type A Home	
Address 5876 Mall View Court Columbus OH 43231		County FRANKLIN	
<i>Building and Fire Approvals apply to Type A Family Child Care Homes only</i>			
Building Approval Date 09/13/2021	Use Group/Code NA	Occupancy Limit	Maximum Under 2 ½
Fire Inspection Approval Date 09/15/2021			

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Compliance	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 11/09/2023	Begin Time 10:00 AM	End Time 2:40 PM
Reviewer: Jamie Nunamaker-Dukuray		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 66	No. Rules with Non-compliances 5	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 0	No. Low Risk 6

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)		7	0	7
Young Toddler		5	0	5
Total Under 2 Years	6	12	0	12
Older Toddler		9	0	9
Preschool		6	0	6
School Age		16	0	16
Total Capacity/Enrollment	12	31	0	43

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Sister Sister First Step Academy, Llc	Mixed Age Group	4 to 9	



Department of Education
Department of Job and Family Services



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 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.

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: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-13-16 Disaster Plan

Code: The program is required to train child care staff members and employees on the written disaster plan annually and keep written documentation of the training on-site.



Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program's written disaster plan did not meet the requirement for training child care staff members and employees on the plan annually as noted in numbers 1 and 2 below:

1. Child care staff members and employees were not trained annually.
2. Written documentation of the training was not kept on file.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/13/2023

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-13-16 Disaster Plan

Code: The program is required to have a completed written disaster plan.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program's written disaster plan did not meet the requirement or was missing the information in number 15 below:

Procedures:

1. The written disaster plan had not been completed
2. The plan was not provided to all child care staff and employees
3. Weather emergencies and natural disasters which include severe thunderstorms, tornadoes, flash flooding, major snowfall, blizzards, ice storms or earthquakes
4. Emergency outdoor and indoor lockdown or evacuation due to threats of violence which includes active shooter, bioterrorism or terrorism
5. Emergency or disaster evacuations due to hazardous materials and spills, gas leaks or bomb threats.
6. Outbreaks, epidemics or other infectious disease emergencies
7. Loss of power, water, or heat
8. Other threatening situations that may pose a health or safety hazard to the children in the program

Details:

9. Shelter in place or evacuation, how the program will care for and account for the children until they can be reunited with the parent
10. Assisting infants and children with special needs and/or health conditions
11. Emergency contact information for parents and the program
12. Procedures for notifying and communicating with parents regarding the location of the children if evacuated
13. Procedures for communicating with parents during loss of communications, no phone or internet service available
14. The location of supplies and procedures for gathering necessary supplies for staff and children if required to shelter in place
15. What to do if a disaster occurs during the transport of children or when on a field trip or routine trip
16. Making the plan available to all child care staff members and employees
17. Training of staff or reassignment of staff duties as appropriate
18. Updating the plan on a yearly basis
19. Contact with local emergency management officials



Add the missing information to the disaster plan. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes the missing information, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/13/2023

Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5101:2-13-14 Requirements for Field and Routine Trips

Code: The program is required to obtain written parental permission before leaving the premises and retain the forms for at least one year from the date of the trip. Routine trip permission forms must be updated annually.

Findings: In review of the program's records, it was determined that requirements for written permission from the parent/guardian for a field trip or routine trip were not met as listed in number 1 below:

1. Written parental permission was not secured for field trips and/or routine trips off the premises.
2. The written permission was missing the child's name.
3. The written permission was missing the date(s) of the trip(s) (field trips only).
4. The written permission was missing the destination(s) of the trip(s).
5. The written permission was missing the departure and return time(s) of the trip(s) (field trips only).
6. The written permission was missing the signature of the parent.
7. The written permission was missing the date on which the permission was signed.
8. The written permission was missing a statement notifying parents how their child will be transported.
9. Permission forms for routine trips were not being updated annually.
10. Written parental permission forms for field trips and/or routine trips were not being maintained on file for at least one year from the date of the trip.
11. Other: [].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/13/2023

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-13-10 Health Training

Code: The program is required to meet the health training requirements.

Findings: In review of records, it was determined the CCSM or Substitute CCSM was left alone with children and did not have current valid documentation for training listed in number 10 below:

1. First Aid - expired training
2. First Aid - did not have verification of completion of First Aid training



3. First Aid - documentation did not demonstrate the person who provided the training met the trainer qualifications as stated in the rule
4. CPR - expired training
5. CPR - had not taken CPR training
6. CPR - did not have verification of the completion of CPR training
7. CPR - training taken did not include all age groups the program serves and developmental levels of all children in care
8. CPR - documentation did not demonstrate the person who provided the training met the trainer qualifications as stated in the rule
9. CPR - audiovisual or electronic media training taken by staff did not include an in-person component of the training
10. Communicable Disease - expired training
11. Communicable Disease - had not taken CD training
12. Communicable Disease - did not have verification of the completion of the CD training
13. Communicable Disease - documentation did not demonstrate the person who provided the training met the trainer qualifications as stated in the rule
14. Child Abuse - expired training
15. Child Abuse - had not taken Child Abuse training
16. Child Abuse - documentation did not demonstrate the person who provided the training met the trainer qualifications as stated in the rule

Correct the violation and submit the documentation of current certification with the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/13/2023

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-13-09 Background Checks

Code: Individuals are required to completed the background check process and obtain complete results.

Findings: In review of the staff records, it was determined that background check requirements were incomplete for the individuals listed on the Employee Record Chart, as noted in number 1 below:

1. The JFS 01176 "Program Notification of Background check Review for Child Care" was not on file at the program, but was on file at the county agency and the individual is eligible.
2. The JFS 01176 was not on file at the program, but the BCI and FBI results were on file at the program and the individual had no prohibitive offenses which did not meet the rehabilitation criteria.
3. The JFS 01176 was not on file at the program, but the BCI and FBI results were on file at the county agency and the individual had no prohibitive offenses which did not meet the rehabilitation criteria.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the correct form is now on file, to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 12/13/2023



Domain: 10 Written Policies & Procedures

Rule: 5101:2-13 Written Policies and Procedures

Code: The program is required to have policies and procedures for all items listed in this rule.

Findings: On the day of the inspection, the program's written policies and procedures provided to the parents/guardians and employees was missing item numbers 15 and 20 below:

General Information

1. Name, address, email address and telephone number.
2. Description of the provider's program philosophy.
3. Days and hours of operation, scheduled closings and basic daily schedule.
4. Staff/child ratios and group size.
5. Opportunities for parent involvement in activities.
6. Opportunities for parents to meet with the provider regarding their child.
7. Payment schedule, overtime charges and registration fees if applicable.
8. Programs shall have a policy in place describing supports for onsite breastfeeding or pumping for mothers who wish to do so (if the program serves infants or toddlers).

Provider Policies and Procedures

9. Enrollment including required enrollment information.
10. Care of children without immunizations.
11. Attendance including procedures for arrival and departure, the program's absent day policy, releasing child to persons other than the parent, releasing a child according to a custody agreement and follow up when a child scheduled to arrive from another program or activity does not arrive.
12. Supervision of children, including a separate supervision policy for school-age children, if applicable.
13. Child guidance.
14. Suspension and expulsion.
15. Ensure compliance with the Americans and Disabilities (ADA) including administering medication to children with disabilities and administering care procedures for children with disabilities.
16. Outdoor play, including limitations placed on outdoor play due to weather or safety issues (considerations may include but are not limited to temperature, humidity, wind chill, ozone levels, pollen count, lightning, rain or ice).
17. Food and dietary policy, including information regarding meeting one-third of the child's recommended daily dietary allowance, policy regarding formula, breast milk, meals, and snacks and policy on providing supplemental food.
18. Management of illness including isolation precautions, symptoms for discharge and return, notification of parent of ill child and whether or not the provider will care for sick children.
19. Summary of procedures taken in the event of an emergency, serious illness or injury.
20. Administration of medication and topical products policy, medical foods, modified diets, and whether school age children are permitted to carry their own medical and ointments.
21. Transportation policy for field trips, routine walks, if applicable, and emergencies including if the provider will provide child care services to children whose parents refuse to grant consent for transportation to the source of emergency treatment.
22. Water activities/swimming.



- 23. Infant care, if applicable, including feeding, frequency of diaper checks, and information about daily activities.
- 24. Sleeping, napping and resting.
- 25. Evening and overnight care, if applicable.
- 26. Policy on hours of operation, closing due to weather, school delays or closings and any other factors.
- 27. Use of a substitute child care staff member or child care staff member pursuant to 5101:2-13-08 of the Administrative Code for sick days, vacations or other time off.
- 28. Situations that may require disenrollment of a child, if applicable.
- 29. Problem or issue resolution for parents or employees to follow when needing assistance in resolving problems related to the family child care home.
- 30. Formal screenings and assessments conducted on enrolled children and if the program reports child level data to ODJFS pursuant to Chapter 5101:2-17 of the Administrative Code.

Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

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Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-02 License Visible	Compliant	
5101:2-13-02 Voluntary Temporary Closure	Compliant	
5101:2-13-02 Change of Location	Compliant	
5101:2-13-02 Information in OCLQS	Compliant	
5101:2-13-02 Provider Medical	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-02 Type A Ownership	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-04 Building Inspections for Type A Homes	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-04 Fire Inspections for Type A Homes	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-07 Staff Records	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-08 Employee Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-08 Child Care Staff Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-08 Whistle Blower	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-10 Professional Development	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-11 Outdoor Space	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-11 Outdoor Equipment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-11 Fall Zone	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-12 Safe Environment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-13 Handwashing	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-13 Smoke Free	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-13 Toothbrushing	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-14 Ratio and Supervision for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-14 Driver Requirements	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-14 Vehicle Inspections	Compliant	
5101:2-13-14 Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	
5101:2-13-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records	Compliant	
5101:2-13-15 Health Conditions	Compliant	
5101:2-13-15 Child Records Retention and Confidentiality	Compliant	
5101:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan	Compliant	
5101:2-13-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	
5101:2-13-16 First Aid Kit/Standard Precautions	Compliant	
5101:2-13-16 Communicable Diseases	Compliant	
5101:2-13-16 Incident/Injury	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-18 Attendance	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-19 Supervision	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-19 School Age Supervision	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-20 Sleep and Nap Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-20 Crib and Playpen Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-21 Sanitary Environment and Hygiene	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-22 Fluid Milk	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable



5101:2-13-22 Food Handling	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-23 Diapering	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-24 Parent Permission for Swimming	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-25 Medication Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-07 Provider Responsibilities	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-18 Group Size and Ratios	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-11 Indoor Space	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-17 Programming	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-24 On-site Pools	Compliant	



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-08 Review Policies and Procedures	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-12 Pets	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-24 Swimming Sites	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	