



## 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 Friends LLC	Program Number 2220027246	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 2974 Compton Rd Cincinnati OH 45251		County HAMILTON

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) ZIBUTE OSGOOD	Inspection Day 03/15/2023	Begin Time 9:15 AM	End Time 10:05 AM

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 9	No. Rules with Non-compliances 5	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 2	No. Low Risk 4

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	Age Group/Range	Ratio Observed	Comment
Infants	0 to < 12 months	1 to 5	One preschool child was brought to the preschool room when the administrator arrived.
Infants	0 to < 12 months	1 to 6	One infant, under 12 months of age, two toddlers, one under 30 months of age, three preschool children. Observed at arrival.
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 5	3's & 4's At arrival
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 6	Preschool child brought over from infant room.



### 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 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 8 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.
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. Children were left unattended in the infant room as the staff member left the room to answer the door.

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: 05/19/2023

### 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.

Findings: During the inspection, a ratio of one (1) child care staff member for six (6) children was determined to have occurred for the mixed age group of one infant, under 12 months of age, two toddlers and three preschool children when the situation in number 15 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. An older child was brought over to the group.

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.

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### Low Risk Non-Compliances

#### Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-12-18 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 numbers 3, 5 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.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 05/19/2023

#### Domain:02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment

Code: The program is required to provide a clean restroom with the appropriate materials available.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that unsanitary conditions, as noted in number 6 below, were in the large children's 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. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 05/19/2023

#### Domain:02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-12 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.



Findings: 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: 05/19/2023

**Domain:02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment

Code: The program is required to follow the cleaning schedule for equipment.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program was not providing a clean and healthy environment, furniture, materials and equipment as required by Appendix A, as noted in number 9 below:

1. The changing table was not sanitized after each use.
2. Reusable cloths were not being cleaned daily or when visibly soiled.
3. Dividers were not cleaned when visibly soiled.
4. The food prep areas were not being cleaned and sanitized before and after food prep.
5. The food prep areas were not being cleaned and sanitized between preparing raw and cooked food.
6. Toilet seat(s), handle(s) and toilet bowl(s) were not being cleaned when visibly soiled and sanitized.
7. The sinks were not clean.
8. Diaper receptacles were not being cleaned and sanitized.
9. Potty chairs were not emptied and/or cleaned and sanitized after each use.
10. Wastebaskets/trash receptacles/rinse buckets were not being cleaned and sanitized when visibly soiled.
11. Other [ ].

Furniture, materials and equipment must be maintained according to the cleaning and sanitizing schedule in Appendix A to this rule. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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