



Center 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 | | | |
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| Program Name STEPS CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL | Program Number 2240029434 | Program Type Child Care Center | |
| Address 108 MALABAR DRIVE UPPER SANDUSKY OH 43351 | | County WYANDOT | |
| Building Approval Date 07/15/2014 | Use Group/Code E | Occupancy Limit 478 | Maximum Under 2 ½ 0 |
| Fire Inspection Approval Date 01/03/2024 | Food Service Risk Level Exempt | | |

| Inspection Information | | |
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| Inspection Type Provisional | Inspection Scope Full | Inspection Notice Unannounced |
| Inspection Date 09/11/2024 | Begin Time 8:45 AM | End Time 10:30 AM |
| Reviewer: KAROLINE OBERHAUS | | |

| Summary of Findings | | | | |
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| No. Rules Verified 58 | No. Rules with Non-compliances 5 | No. Serious Risk 0 | No. Moderate Risk 2 | No. Low Risk 3 |

| License Capacity and Enrollment at the Time of Inspection | | | | |
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| Age Group | License Capacity | Enrollment | | |
| | Totals | Full Time | Part Time | Total |
| Infant (Birth to < 18 m) | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Young Toddler | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Under 2 ½ Years | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Older Toddler | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Preschool | | 40 | 0 | 40 |
| School Age | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Capacity/Enrollment | 105 | 40 | 0 | 40 |

| Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection | | | |
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| Group | Age Group/Range | Ratio Observed | Comment |



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| Red | 4 years to < 5 years | 2 to 13 | |
| Yellow | 4 years to < 5 years | 3 to 25 | |
| Yellow | 4 years to < 5 years | 1 to 12 | |
| Blue | 3 years to < 4 years | 2 to 11 | |
| Blue | 3 years to < 4 years | 2 to 11 | |

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

Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment
Code: The program is required to anchor equipment to the ground as required, to close "S" hooks to prevent the chain from slipping off and prevent strangulation and provide equipment with openings that will not pose a safety risk.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that equipment on the outdoor play space posed an imminent risk of harm to a child as noted in number 7 below:

1. The climber was not anchored.
2. The swings were not securely anchored.
3. The slide was not securely anchored.
4. The climbing rope was not securely anchored at both ends.
5. The "S" hooks on the climber were not closed in order to prevent the chain from slipping off the hook and prevent strangulation.



6. The "S" hooks on the swing(s) were not closed in order to prevent the chain from slipping off the hook and prevent strangulation.

7. The climber had an opening that was greater than three and one-half inches, but less than nine inches. Equipment openings must be less than 3 1/2 inches or more than 9 inches to avoid the risk of entrapment.

Discontinue the use of this equipment until it has been removed, repaired or replaced. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/11/2024

Domain: 08 Staff Files

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

Code: The program is required to have all staff request background checks as required and receive a JFS 01176 or preliminary approval from ODJFS prior to allowing an individual to engage in assigned duties or be near children.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that background checks did not meet the requirements of the rule for the person(s) listed on the Employee Record Chart as noted in number 1 below:

1. The request for a background check for child care was not submitted in the OPR.
2. The fingerprints were not submitted electronically according to the process established by BCI.
3. The individual(s) had engaged in assigned duties or were near children and preliminary approval from ODJFS was not on file.
4. Background checks were not updated every five years.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the JFS 01176, or a copy of the preliminary approval or a statement that the individual(s) are no longer engaged in assigned duties and are not near children until the preliminary approval has been received, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/11/2024

Low Risk Non-Compliances



Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment

Code: The program is required to post a "No Smoking" sign in a conspicuous place at the main entrance.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that a "No Smoking" sign was not displayed in a conspicuous place at the main entrance. Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. Please submit a written statement verifying compliance.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/11/2024

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions

Code: The program is required to have a first aid kit onsite.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined first aid kit(s) at the program had missing, or expired, items that are required by appendix A of this rule to be contained in a first aid kit, as noted in numbers 10 & 12 below:

1. The program did not have a first aid kit [onsite, on the vehicle, on a field trip].
2. One roll of hypoallergenic first-aid tape.
3. Individually wrapped sterile gauze squares in assorted sizes.
4. Sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes.
5. Tweezers.
6. Gauze rolled bandage.
7. Triangular bandage.
8. Rounded end scissors.
9. Tooth preservation system or fresh chilled liquid milk in which to transport a lost permanent tooth, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where milk is stored if a tooth preservation system is not part of the first aid kit (for programs serving school age children only).
10. A working digital thermometer.
11. Disposable non-latex gloves.
12. A working flashlight.
13. An instant cold pack that has not been activated or ice, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where the ice is stored if an instant cold pack is not part of the first aid kit.
14. Sealable leak-proof plastic bags in assorted sizes or double bagged plastic bags that can be securely tied for materials soiled with blood or bodily fluids.
15. Pocket mask or face shield, appropriate for all ages of children in care, for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) administration.
16. Soap or waterless sanitizer (field trip or transporting away from the program only).
17. Bottled water (field trip or transporting away from the program only).

Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. Please submit a written statement verifying compliance.



Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/11/2024

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements

Code: The program administrator is required to maintain current employee records in the Ohio Professional Registry.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined employment records in the Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) were not created or maintained as noted in number 5 below:

1. At least one administrator, employee or child care staff member (including substitutes) had not created a profile.
2. At least one administrator, employee or child care staff member had not created an employment record for the program on or before their first day of employment.
3. At least one administrator, employee or child care staff member had not updated changes to positions or roles within five calendar days of the change.
4. The administrator had not assigned at least one employee or child care staff member to the program's organization dashboard.
5. At least one individual's schedule was not current.
6. At least one individual's position or role did not include an applicable group assignment.
7. At least one individual's employment had not been end dated.
8. Other: []

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/11/2024

Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5101:2-12-02 License Posted | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The license was in a location visible to parents as required. |
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| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-02 Current Information | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program had current information entered in the Ohio Child Licensing and Quality System (OCLQS). |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| 5101:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements | Compliant | |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection | Compliant | Documenting Statement: A copy of the certificate of occupancy was available on-site for review. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection | Compliant | Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, the program was operating in compliance with the current building approval(s). |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Fire Inspection | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Please Note: Documentation of a fire inspection without any uncorrected violations must be secured for the program. Secure a new fire inspection by 1-3-25. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program has obtained a food service exemption status from the local health department. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The administrator has completed the rules review course. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |



| Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The written policies and procedures reviewed on the day of the inspection were verified as complete. |
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| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Medical Statement | Compliant | Documenting Statement: All employees had current medical statements on file. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection | Compliant | Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, all child care staff members had met orientation training requirements. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program had at least one Child Care Staff Member with currently valid training in First Aid, Management of Communicable Disease, CPR, and Child Abuse Prevention present and readily accessible during all hours of operation. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, all child care staff members had completed the required amount of professional development training. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| 5101:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements | Compliant | |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Adequate bathroom access is provided during outdoor play by means of summoning assistance or bringing a group inside. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Drinking water is provided by means of summoning assistance or bringing a group inside. |



| Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The outdoor play area is separated from traffic and other hazards by a fence. |
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| Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The quarterly playground inspections were completed and documented, as required. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Shade is provided by means of an awning, |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The protective material used under outdoor equipment was rubber mulch. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Equipment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Equipment was observed to be in good condition. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Cleaning supplies were viewed stored out of the reach of children. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program used air conditioning to maintain a comfortable temperature in warm weather. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: All electrical outlets were covered with safety receptacles. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: All area rugs had nonskid backing. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: A safe environment was observed during the inspection. Children were protected from items and conditions which threaten their health, safety and well-being. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The indoor temperature of the program during the |



| | | inspection was comfortable and met rule compliance. |
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| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, it was discussed that blankets were washed weekly. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, the program provided a clean environment in accordance with Appendix A of this rule, which included the furniture, materials and equipment. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Cots were cleaned and sanitized according to rule. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the equipment was observed clean and in good repair. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Trash was stored appropriately and emptied daily. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Children were viewed washing their hands, as required by the rule. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: It was discussed with the staff that hand washing shall occur upon arrival to the program. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records | Compliant | Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, 25% of the children's records were reviewed, and the records were complete, as required by the rule. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records | Compliant | Documenting Statement: In review of 25% of the records, at the time of the inspection, children's medical statements were complete and on file, as required by the rule. |



| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5101:2-12-15 Medical/Physical Care Plans | Compliant | Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, there were no children currently enrolled who had health conditions. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan | Compliant | Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, the complete prescribed JFS 01242 "Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan For Child Care" were posted in the program as required. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Emergency Drills | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Documentation for completed fire, weather, and emergency/lockdown drills was verified during this inspection. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection the requirements regarding the isolation of a child suspected of having a communicable disease were discussed, but not observed. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The JFS 08087 "Communicable Disease Chart" was posted and was readily available to staff and parents. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program staff stated parents were informed when their child had any exposure to a contagious illness by number 1 below: 1. A posted notice; 2. Verbal communication; 3. A written notice sent home; 4. A note posted on the classroom door; 5. Other []. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The JFS 01299 "Incident/Injury Report For Child Care" |



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| | | forms reviewed during this inspection were complete as required. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The requirements for completing JFS 01299 "Incident/Injury Report For Child Care" reports were discussed during the inspection. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Schedule | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Daily schedules were observed posted. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Daily Schedule | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, developmentally-appropriate practices were observed in the classroom(s). |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Sufficient equipment was observed in all categories. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| 5101:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play | Compliant | |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-18 License Capacity | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program was operating within their license capacity limits. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Ratio | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, enough Child Care Staff Members were employed to meet the staff/child ratios. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Ratio | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The Appendix A "Staff/Child Ratios, Age Grouping and Maximum Group Size" was posted in a noticeable area at the program as required. |



| Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Ratio | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Staff/child ratios observed during the inspection were in compliance. |
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| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Group Size | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The group sizes observed on the day of the inspection were in compliance. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-18 Attendance Records | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, attendance records were reviewed. Child Care Staff Members were viewed recording the attendance for each child upon arrival and departure. All attendance records met the requirements of the rule and were kept with the group at all times. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Supervision | Compliant | Documenting Statement: During the inspection, child care staff were observed meeting the basic needs of all children assigned to the group. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Supervision | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Child Care Staff Members were supervising the children and were able to intervene as needed. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-19 Child Guidance | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Appropriate child guidance techniques and practices were observed being used during the inspection. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Staff reported that the rest area had adequate lighting, which allowed for the visual supervision of children. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Staff reported that the cots were placed appropriately and safely during nap time. |



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| Rule: 5101:2-12-20 Cots and Napping | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Children who did not fall asleep were permitted to engage in quiet activities. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Meals were provided at intervals as required by this rule. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Sack lunches were stored appropriately, |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-25 Medication Administration | Compliant | Documenting Statement: There were no children on medication at the time of the inspection; however, the method of storage and practices for the administration were reviewed. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: All Child Care Staff Members had verification of educational requirements on file at the program. |
| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Annual training of the written disaster plan was completed by staff. |
| Rule: 5101:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The program's written disaster plan was reviewed during the inspection and met the requirements. |