



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			
Program Name The Dropoff Center		Program Number 2240031173	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 4512 Harrisburg Pike Grove City OH 43123			County FRANKLIN
Building Approval Date 10/08/2024	Use Group/Code E	Occupancy Limit 38	Maximum Under 2 1/2
Fire Inspection Approval Date 10/28/2024	Food Service Risk Level Exempt		

Inspection Information				
Inspection Type Pre-license	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced		
Inspection Date 08/04/2025	Begin Time 10:00 AM	End Time 1:45 PM		
Reviewer: Darcie Schofield				
Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 58	No. Rules with Non-compliances 15	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 2	No. Low Risk 17

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)		0	0	0	0
Young Toddler		0	0	0	0
Total Under 2 1/2 Years	9	0	0	0	0
Older Toddler		0	0	0	0
Preschool		0	0	0	0
School Age		0	0	0	0
Total Capacity/Enrollment	19	0	0	0	0

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

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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 5180:2-12-03 and 5180:2-13-03 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: 5180:2-12-11 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 1 below:

1. The octagon 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 [] 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: 09/03/2025

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-09 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 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: 09/03/2025

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment

Code: The program is required to have their water tested and approved if not publicly supplied water.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program did not have publicly supplied water and failed to contact the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to determine if the water supply qualifies as a public water system. The EPA will be contacted regarding this noncompliance. Contact the EPA to determine if the water supply qualifies as a public water system. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that contact has been made to the EPA and any action steps taken, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 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.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that children were not protected from item(s) or condition(s) which may threaten their health, safety, or well-being as noted in number 22 below:

1. Surge protectors/outlets did not have childproof receptacle covers.
2. Open pull cords that are not closed loop.
3. Toys or other items small enough to be swallowed were present in the space where infants and/or toddlers were in care.
4. Electrical/extension cords attached to an object that would not likely result in a severe injury if pulled.
5. Stacked chairs.
6. Employee(s) purse(s).
7. Diaper bags.
8. Television not securely anchored.
9. Small or lightweight pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.
10. Smoke detector needing batteries replaced.
11. An area rug did not have a nonskid backing.
12. An area rug presented a tripping hazard.
13. A floor surface that was unsafe in that [].
14. No platform was provided for the sink or toilet in the [] classroom.
15. The platform provided for the sink or toilet in the [] classroom was not sturdy.
16. The platform provided for the sink or toilet in the [] classroom posed a safety hazard in that [].
17. Telephone cords.
18. Staff member stepped over a barrier/gate while holding a child.
19. Emergency exits were blocked by the following classroom furniture: [].
20. A mercury thermometer was being used to take a child's temperature.
21. Methods of ventilation used did not provide protection from rodents, insects, or other hazards.
22. Other: A screw sticking out of the baseboard in the infant play area; a nail sticking out of the floor in the infant play area.

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: 09/03/2025

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 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.

Finding: 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 (two crib railings). Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment

Code: The program is required to provide equipment appropriate for the children in the program in sufficient quantities that all children can be actively involved. Play materials must be accessible to the children and arranged in an orderly manner.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that equipment, materials and furnishings provided for indoor and outdoor play did not meet the requirement of the rule as noted in numbers 3 and 4 below.

1. Equipment and materials were not varied and adequate to meet the developmental needs of the children.
2. Equipment and materials were not provided in a sufficient quantity that each child can be actively involved in an activity.
3. Play materials were not readily accessible to the children in the classrooms.
4. Play materials were not arranged in an orderly manner so that children have opportunities to select, remove and replace play materials with minimal assistance during the day in the classrooms.
5. Durable, child-sized or safely adapted furniture was not provided for children in the [] classroom.

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the department to verify compliance to this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule

Code: The program is required to have the daily program schedule posted in all required areas.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that a copy of the daily program schedule was not posted in the classrooms, as required. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the department to verify compliance to this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment

Code: The program is required to have enough equipment for all children in care.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that equipment and materials in the following categories were not provided in sufficient quantities for children in the Infant, Toddler and Big Kid classrooms, as required, in numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 11 below.

1. Art supplies (excludes infants)
2. Manipulative materials and equipment
3. Blocks
4. Science-nature equipment (excludes infants)
5. Language arts and auditory materials and equipment
6. Pretend or dramatic play materials
7. Music equipment
8. Transportation materials and equipment
9. Gross motor equipment
10. Sensory motor equipment
11. School age children were not provided sufficient equipment and materials in at least five of the first nine categories above.

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the department to verify compliance to this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment

Code: The program is required to have an area for children to store their belongings.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program did not have designated storage areas for children's personal belongings. The rule requires that an area be designated where children can individually store their personal belongings. This area shall not block walkways or evacuation routes. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the department to verify compliance to this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones

Code: The program is required to provide fall zones around equipment to prevent injury if a child were to fall.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the fall zone under and around equipment designated for climbing, swinging, balancing and sliding did not meet the requirements as noted in numbers 4, 5, 6, and 8 below:

1. The fall surface material had not been properly distributed or raked as needed to retain proper depth under and around equipment.
2. A fall zone hazard was present, in that, the [] posed a risk of injury if a child were to fall from a piece of equipment.
3. The fall zone was less than 3 feet from the fence for equipment used by children 23 months of age and younger.
4. The fall zone was less than 6 feet from the fence for equipment used by children 24 months of age and older.
5. There was not a fall zone of 3 feet in all directions from the perimeter of the equipment used by children 23 months of age and younger (the riding car track).
6. There was not a fall zone of 6 feet in all directions from the perimeter of the equipment used by children 24 months of age and older.
7. The fall zone was less than 4 1/2 feet from each piece of applicable equipment used by children 23 months of age and younger.
8. The fall zone was less than 9 feet from each piece of applicable equipment used by children 24 months of age and older (between the swing set and the octagon climber.)
9. Other [].

The program is required to provide adequate fall zones under and around outdoor play equipment 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: 09/03/2025

Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements

Code: The program is required to have an outdoor play space free from trash and foreign objects.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the outdoor play space was not free of trash or foreign objects as noted in numbers 15 and 16 below:

1. The outdoor area was littered with trash.
2. The trash can was missing a lid.
3. The trash can was not emptied from the day(s) before.
4. The trash can was overflowing with trash.
5. The trash can was infested with insects.
6. The trash can was visibly dirty.
7. There was broken glass.
8. There were tall weeds.
9. There was poison ivy.
10. There were tree branches.
11. There was mold visible.
12. There were thistles with prickles.
13. There were bird droppings.
14. The sandbox was contaminated.
15. Other: deep holes in the ground which would cause a tripping hazard on the main playground.
16. Other: Animal hole/tunnel in the ground of the second playground (yard area).

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 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 7, 9, and 15 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).

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5180:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training

Code: The program staff is required to have adequate supplies for diapering available.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the required supplies were not available for diaper changing as noted in numbers 2 and 4 below:

1. There was no disposable separation material;
2. There was no germicidal solution for sanitizing;
3. There were no plastic containers or bags for the storage of soiled clothing;
4. Other: there were no hands-free receptacles for soiled diapers in infants and in toddlers.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs

Code: The program is required to provide cribs with mattresses in good condition and sheets that are not too large or too small for the crib.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that sheets, mattresses and/or mattress covers did not meet the rule requirement as noted in number 9 below:

1. At least one crib did not have a sheet.
2. At least one sheet was too large.
3. At least one sheet was too small.
4. At least one sheet was torn.
5. The mattress was not at least one and one-half inches thick.
6. The mattress was not firm.
7. There was space between the mattress and the sides and end panels of the crib which exceeded one and one-half inches.
8. The mattress cover was not waterproof.
9. The mattress cover was torn.
10. Other: [].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements

Code: The program is required to have all child care staff members complete training in child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention within sixty days of hire. Staff must complete training in first aid and CPR within the first ninety days of hire.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that at least one child care staff member had not completed required health and safety training as noted in numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 below:

1. Child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention training was not completed within sixty days of hire.
2. First aid training was not completed within ninety days of hire.
3. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training was not completed within ninety days of hire.
4. The child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention training was expired.

5. The first aid training was expired.
6. The CPR training was expired.

Refer to the Employee Record Chart for the name(s) of the child care staff member(s) who must complete the required health and safety training(s). Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection

Code: The program is required to have staff complete the online staff orientation training. Additionally, the training must be completed before they are permitted to have sole responsibility of children.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that child care staff member(s) did not meet the requirements for completing the online orientation training as noted in number 1 below:

1. The training was not completed within 30 days of starting employment at the program as a child care staff member.
2. Documentation of completing the training after December 31, 2016 was not on file.
3. Completion of the training was not verified in the OPR.
4. A child care staff member had sole responsibility of children and had not completed the online orientation.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Medical Statement

Code: The program staff's medical statements are required to be completed and on file at the program.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that the medical statements for the employee listed on the Employee Record Chart did not meet the requirements as listed in numbers 5b and 5c below.

1. A medical statement was not on file for at least one employee;
2. The medical statement(s) on file did not have a date of examination within 12 months of the employee's first day of employment;

3. Date of examination was missing;
4. Signature, business address, or telephone number of the licensed physician, physician assistant, advanced practice nurse, certified midwife, or certified nurse practitioner who completed the examination was missing;
5. A statement was missing that verifies the employee is:
 - a. Physically fit for employment in a program caring for children;
 - b. Immunized against Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap);
 - c. Immunized against Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR);
6. Tuberculosis (TB) screening/test information was missing:
 - a. Documentation of the screening process to determine if the employee resided in a country identified by the world health organization as having a high burden of TB and arrived in the United States within the five years preceding the date of application for employment.
 - b. Results of a TB test for employees meeting both criteria in 6a.
 - c. Results of additional testing for employees with a positive TB test.
 - d. Written statement, signed by a representative of the TB control unit, that the employee's TB is no longer infectious or the individual is receiving a TB treatment regimen for employees with a positive TB test.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the completed employee medical statement, or TB results/documentation, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements

Code: The program staff is required to have educational verification on file at the program.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that verification of a high school education for the child care staff member listed on the Employee Record Chart, did not meet the requirements as listed in number 1 below:

1. Verification of completion of a high school education was not on file.
2. Documentation was incomplete or not on file for a high school junior or senior who is enrolled in a career-technical program.
3. Documentation was not on file for a high school junior or senior who is also enrolled in a college credit program in child development or early childhood education.
4. Documentation was not on file for a high school junior or senior who is enrolled in a Child Development Associate (CDA) training program.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the education verification, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements

Code: The program is required to maintain a staff schedule with coverage of the required health trainings.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined the program did not have at least one child care staff member present/scheduled to be present during all hours of operation with currently valid documentation for the training(s) listed in numbers 1, 2, 4, 5, below:

1. First Aid – child care staff members scheduled during the hours of 7 am and 5:30 pm had expired training
2. First Aid – child care staff members scheduled during the hours of 7 am and 5:30 pm did not have verification of completion of First Aid
3. First Aid – trained child care staff member was not present in each building used by the program.
4. CPR – child care staff members scheduled during the hours of 7 am and 5:30 pm had expired training
5. CPR – child care staff scheduled during the hours of 7 am and 5:30 pm had did not have verification of completion of CPR
6. CPR – trained child care staff member was not present in each building used by children
7. CPR – training taken by staff was not appropriate for all ages and developmental levels of the children in care
8. CPR - audiovisual or electronic media training taken by staff did not include an in-person component of the training
9. Communicable Disease – child care staff members scheduled during the hours of [] and [] had expired training
10. Communicable Disease – child care staff scheduled during the hours of [] and [] had not taken Communicable Disease training
11. Communicable Disease – trained child care staff member was not present in each building used by the program
12. Child Abuse – child care staff members scheduled during the hours of [] and [] had expired training
13. Child Abuse – child care staff scheduled during the hours of [] and [] had not taken Child Abuse training
14. Child Abuse – trained child care staff was not in each building used by the program

Refer to the Employee Record Chart for specific details. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes verification of complete coverage for any training listed, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/03/2025

Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-04 Fire Inspection	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 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
5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-11 Separation of Children Under 2 1/2 Years	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: A notice was observed posted stating that smoking is prohibited at the program.
5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	
5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements	Compliant	
5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	
5180:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	
5180:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting	Compliant	
5180:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 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.
5180:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	
5180:2-12-18 Group Size	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	
5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	
5180:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements	Compliant	
5180:2-12-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Compliant	
5180:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	
5180:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding infant bottle and food preparation and storage were discussed.
5180:2-12-24 Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Compliant	