



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	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 Provisional	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced		
Inspection Date 12/11/2025	Begin Time 9:45 AM	End Time 1:30 PM		
Reviewer: Darcie Schofield				
Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 57	No. Rules with Non-compliances 14	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 3	No. Low Risk 14

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)		2	1		3
Young Toddler		1	2		3
Total Under 2 1/2 Years	9	3	3		6
Older Toddler		2	3		5
Preschool		4	7		11
School Age		0	8		8
Total Capacity/Enrollment	19	6	18		30

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

Infants	0 to < 12 months	1 to 4	arrival- group included one toddler 0-18 months
Infants	0 to < 12 months	1 to 3	
Toddler	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 5	naptime
Toddler	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 4	18-36 months
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 5	included one kindergartener
Preschool	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 3	naptime
School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	1 to 4	lunch time (upon arrival there was one kindergarten child who was with the preschool group)

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: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Fire Inspection

Code: The program is required to have all spaces used for child care inspected by the fire department or the state fire marshal's office prior to serving children. The program is required to obtain a fire inspection without any uncorrected violations within 12 months from the date of the last fire inspection. If violations are noted

during the inspection, the program is required to have all violations corrected and have the program re-inspected to obtain a completed fire form.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for fire inspection as noted in number 1 below:

1. The program did not have documentation on file for a fire inspection without any uncorrected violations within 12 months from the date of the last fire inspection and the request for the new inspection was not made at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the previous fire inspection.
2. The documentation for the most recent fire inspection contained violations that had not been corrected.
3. The [] space was being used and had not been approved by the fire department or the state fire marshal's office for child care.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes an updated fire inspection without any uncorrected violations, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment

Code: The program is required to store chemicals and machinery in a place that is inaccessible to children. The program is required to provide an outdoor play area away from machinery in operation.

Finding: During the inspection, a potentially hazardous item or toxic substance was used or stored in the walk through kitchen area where children had access to it, as noted in number 6 below.

1. Bleach.
2. Cleaning agent.
3. Fish tank chemicals.
4. Gasoline.
5. Pesticide.
6. Poison, including insect/rodent poison (Ant poison was in an unlocked cabinet at child level in the kitchen area which is accessible to children).
7. Flammable substance.
8. Windshield washer fluid.
9. Aerosol cans.
10. A lawn mower.
11. A weed trimmer.
12. Hedge trimmers.
13. A snow blower.
14. Other potentially hazardous substance, equipment or machinery: [].

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the potentially hazardous substance or item is no longer accessible to children and/or children will not be outside

when machinery is in use and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements

Code: The program is required to use the correct vehicle type as specified in rule. The program is also required to have all vehicles used to transport children inspected by an ASE certified mechanic, FMCSA inspector or the State Highway patrol annually, and correct all repairs that are listed on the vehicle inspection report.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program used a vehicle to transport children that was not approved and/or did not have a current annual vehicle inspection indicating the vehicle was mechanically safe as noted in number 2 below:

1. The program used a converted cargo van or passenger vans designed to carry ten or more passengers. The program must cease the use of this vehicle immediately.
2. The vehicle was not inspected (did not have required documentation of inspection).
3. The vehicle was inspected by someone other than an ASE certified mechanic, federal motor carrier safety administration (FMCSA) safety inspector or the Ohio State Highway Patrol.
4. The vehicle inspection was not updated annually.
5. The vehicle inspection completed from the Ohio Highway Patrol did not meet the rule requirement.
6. The annual safety check of the vehicle(s) used by the program to transport children noted repairs or corrections that had not been completed and/or documented. The safety violations need to be corrected immediately.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes either discontinuing the use of the vehicle, documentation for any new vehicle now being used to transport children, or a copy of the JFS 01230 "Vehicle Inspection Report for Child Care Centers", to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

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

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

Finding: 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 numbers 25 and 30 below:

1. Item(s) soiled with blood or bodily fluids were not cleaned/sanitized immediately.
2. Blankets/sheets were not cleaned weekly, when soiled, or before use by another child.
3. Children's individual blankets and belongings were stored in an unsanitary manner.
4. Bottles, bottle caps, nipples and other equipment used for bottle feeding were not cleaned and sanitized in a dishwasher or by washing, rinsing, and boiling for one minute.
5. Carpets were not vacuumed weekly or cleaned when soiled.
6. Changing table/pad was not sanitized after each use or cleaned when visibly soiled.
7. Reusable cloths were not being washed daily or when visibly soiled.
8. Cots/Pads/Mats were not cleaned and sanitized before assigning to a different child, when used by a sick child, when soiled or at least every three months.
9. Cribs were not cleaned and sanitized monthly, or when soiled, or before use by another child.
10. Diaper Receptables were not cleaned and sanitized daily or more frequently as needed to eliminate odor.
11. Dishes/Cups/Silverware were not cleaned and sanitized after each use.
12. Water Containers were not labeled with the child's name, or were not cleaned and sanitized before use again on another day.
13. Dividers were not cleaned when visibly soiled.
14. Dress up clothes and hats (dramatic play) were not cleaned monthly or when soiled.
15. Floors were not cleaned weekly or when soiled.
16. The food prep area, including sinks, were not cleaned before and after preparing food (including bottle preparation) or between preparing raw or cooked food.
17. Potty chairs were not cleaned after each use, rinsed with water, cleaned and sanitized or contents were not emptied into a toilet.
18. Food tables, highchair trays were not cleaned before and after each use.
19. Tables used for play were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized daily.
20. Toilet bowls were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized weekly.
21. Toilet seat(s), handle(s) and hand washing sink(s) were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized daily.
22. Mouthed toys were not cleaned and sanitized after each child's use.
23. Toys, other than those mouthed by children, were not cleaned monthly or when visibly soiled.
24. Washable furniture, including fabrics on infant equipment, were not cleaned weekly or when soiled.
25. Upholstered furniture was not steam cleaned when soiled (blue child sized couch in toddlers).
26. Slip covers were not washed at least every six months or when soiled.
27. Wastebaskets/rinse buckets, including lids, were not being emptied daily or cleaned and sanitized when visibly soiled.
28. The manufacturer's directions for the cleaning product were not followed.
29. The solution used for sanitizing was not a commercial product registered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a sanitizer.
30. Other: Dramatic play yellow baby changing mat was visibly soiled.

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 rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

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

Code: The program is required to provide equipment and materials that are easy to clean.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that at least one piece of equipment, furnishings, or material at the program was not constructed of materials to facilitate cleaning as noted in number 1 below:

1. The material had a tear (blue child sized couch in toddlers).
2. The material was not washable.
3. The material was porous.
4. The surface was cracked.
5. The surface was repaired, but in a manner that still did not facilitate cleaning.
6. Other [].

Equipment, furnishings, and furniture shall be constructed of materials to facilitate cleaning. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the department to verify compliance with the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

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

Code: The program is required to have quiet areas available.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program's environment did not provide for a quiet area in the Preschool classroom. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the department to verify compliance with the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan

Code: The program is required to post and implement the JFS 01242 "Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan" when necessary.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the requirements for the JFS 01242 "Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan for Child Care" were not followed as noted in number 1 below:

1. The plan was not posted in each classroom.
2. The plan was not posted in other spaces used by children.
3. The name, address and telephone number of the program were not complete.
4. The location of first aid kit, fire extinguishers and fire alarm system, fire alarm pull stations and electrical circuit box were not complete.
5. The telephone number for emergency squad, fire department, hospital, poison control program, public children services agency, local health department, local emergency management agency, and police department were not complete.
6. Location of children's records was not complete.
7. Emergency information including any medications or supplies needed in the event of an evacuation was not complete.
8. The current version of the prescribed form was not used.
9. The plan was not implemented when necessary in that [].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

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 classrooms listed below, as required in numbers 3, 6 and 10.

1. Art supplies (excludes infants)
2. Manipulative materials and equipment
3. Blocks (infants)
4. Science-nature equipment (excludes infants)
5. Language arts and auditory materials and equipment
6. Pretend or dramatic play materials (infants)
7. Music equipment
8. Transportation materials and equipment

9. Gross motor equipment
10. Sensory motor equipment (Preschool)
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 with the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

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

Code: The program is required to conduct and document quarterly inspections of their outdoor play space.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that quarterly inspections of one or more outdoor play area(s) and equipment had not been completed and documented as required, using the JFS 01281 "Child Care Playground Inspection Report" form. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

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 number 1 below:

1. The program did not have a first aid kit on the vehicle
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 verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Drills

Code: The program is required to complete fire drills, weather drills, and emergency/lockdown drills appropriately.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the required drills were not completed for item numbers 1 and 3 below:

1. Monthly fire drills (not done in Sept).
2. Monthly weather emergency drills (March through September).
3. Emergency/lockdown drills in each quarter of the calendar year.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements

Code: The program is required to have children and staff practice and document safely exiting vehicles during an emergency.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program had not conducted and/or documented monthly emergency exiting drills on vehicles with children, including the date of the drill and all staff who transport children. 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: 01/10/2026

Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements

Code: The program is required to have all drivers be an employee of the program, a public transportation driver, or employed by a contracted transportation service company and retain a copy of all licenses for drivers employed by the program.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the requirements for drivers was not met as listed in number 2 below:

1. The driver(s) noted on the Employee Record Chart used for trips did not have a copy of a current driver's license on file.
2. At least one employee who is responsible for transporting children did not have documentation of completion of the prescribed driver training on file.
3. The driver used to transport children was not an employee of the program, a public transportation driver, or employed by a company contracted to provide transportation service.

Remove this individual from transporting children until the requirements are met. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures

Code: The program is required to take all required safety and health items on trips.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that all required items were not taken on a field trip and/or routine trip as determined in that the item number 1 below was missing:

1. Completed copies of the JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care" (except routine walks);

2. First aid supplies;
3. A working cellular phone or other means of immediate communication (not to be used while a vehicle is in motion);
4. Written record of children on the trip, including which vehicle each child is being transported in and the cellular phone number of the adult in that vehicle who could be contacted in an emergency.

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a written plan that ensures these safety guidelines will be met when children are transported, and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5180:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation

Code: The program is required to obtain written instructions from parents regarding feeding their infant.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that written instructions for feeding the infants noted on the Children Record Review were missing information as noted in numbers 1 and 5 below:

1. Written instructions were not on file.
2. Type of food and/or formula/breast milk was missing.
3. Amount of food and/or formula/breast milk was missing.
4. Feeding times or frequency of feedings was missing.
5. The written instructions on file had not been updated.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements

Code: The program administrator is required to have hours of availability to meet with parents and have the hours posted in a noticeable location.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the administrator did not have scheduled hours of availability to meet with parents, or the hours of availability were not posted in a noticeable location (were not posted). Submit the program's corrective action plan to the department to verify compliance with this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/14/2026

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records

Code: The program is required to use the updated JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care".

Finding: In review of 25% of the children's records, it was determined that information had not been secured from the parent/guardian on the JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care", as required, for the items in numbers 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, and 15 below.

1. No enrollment form was completed for at least one child
2. The current JFS 01234 was not completed for at least one child
3. Complete child information
4. Complete parent information
5. Complete emergency contact information
6. Complete physician information
7. Information regarding the parent list
8. Health information
9. Additional information for all boxes checked "yes"
10. Emergency transportation information
11. Parent/guardian's signature
12. Diapering Statement
13. Acknowledgement of Policies and Procedures
14. Enrollment form for at least one child was not updated by either the parent or the administrator
15. Enrollment form for at least one child was not signed by the administrator
16. Other []

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 01/10/2026

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-16 Written Disaster Plan	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-02 License Posted	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The license was in a location visible to parents as required.
5180:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	
5180:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	
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.
5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: No changes have been made to the written policies and procedures since it was last approved by this Department.
5180:2-12-08 Medical Statement	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-08 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: 5180:2-12-08 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 5180:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements	Status Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the required documentation regarding background checks was on file for all employees listed.
Rule 5180:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements	Status Compliant	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule 5180:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements	Status Not Verified	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule 5180:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Status Compliant	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule 5180:2-12-11 Separation of Children Under 2 1/2 Years	Status Compliant	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Status Compliant	Documenting Statement: Outdoor equipment was viewed to be safe and free of rust, sharp points, and other hazards.
Rule 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Status Compliant	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Status Compliant	Documenting Statement: Equipment was observed to be in good condition.
Rule 5180:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Status Compliant	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable



Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Medical/Physical Care Plans	Compliant	Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, there were no children currently enrolled who had health conditions.
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The JFS 08087 "Communicable Disease Chart" was posted and was readily available to staff and parents.
5180:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting	Compliant	
5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records	Compliant	
5180:2-12-18 Group Size	Compliant	
5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	
5180:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	
5180:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Staff/child ratios observed during the inspection were in compliance.
5180:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Cribs were separated from the play space by a safe and sturdy and physical barrier.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training	Compliant	
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-25 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
5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection	Compliant	

