



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 Apex Learning Center	Program Number 2250032843	Program Type Child Care Center	
Address 367 Plymouth Toledo OH 43605		County LUCAS	
Building Approval Date 09/25/2025	Use Group/Code E	Occupancy Limit	Maximum Under 2 ½
Fire Inspection Approval Date	Food Service Risk Level		

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Provisional	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 02/12/2026	Begin Time 9:40 AM	End Time 12:00 PM
Reviewer: KAROLINE OBERHAUS		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 57	No. Rules with Non-compliances 11	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 4	No. Low Risk 8

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
Young Toddler		1	0	1
Total Under 2 ½ Years	0	1	0	1
Older Toddler		2	0	2
Preschool		10	0	10
School Age		2	0	2
Total Capacity/Enrollment	46	14	0	15

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

school age		0 to 0	combined with toddler/preschool
preschool		0 to 0	combined with toddler/school age
toddler	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 6	955a
toddler	30 months to < 36 months	1 to 5	1024a
toddler	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 5	1114a
toddler	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 5	1155p naptime

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: 5180:2-12-18 License Capacity

Code: The program is required to maintain the capacity that is indicated on the license.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that there were 6 total children with 1 child under 2 1/2. The program is currently licensed to serve 46 total children, with no more than 0 children under 2 1/2. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/14/2026

Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection

Code: The program is required to refrain from using space that did not receive building approval and from caring for children in spaces not approved for that age group. The program is required to refrain from using a remodeled or modified space before obtaining building approval. The program is required to maintain building occupancy limitations.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program was using space for child care in a manner that was not approved by the Ohio Department of Commerce or local certified building authority as noted in number 7 below:

1. The [] room or space was not approved.
2. Children under school age were being cared for in a building only approved for school age.
3. The space had been modified and not yet re-inspected and approved.
4. The [] floor, which had not been approved by the building department for child care, was being used.
5. The building limitation had been exceeded. [] children were being cared for and the building had been approved for [] children.
6. The [] room(s) occupancy had been exceeded. [] children were being cared for in this space that had been approved for [] children.
7. Care was provided to children less than two and one-half years of age. This violated the program's building code limitation in that, the certificate of occupancy does not allow children under 2 1/2.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes building approval for use of this space, a written statement that the building occupancy limitations are being maintained, or a written statement that it is no longer being used, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/14/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment

Code: The program is required to refrain from using space heaters unless it has been approved by a fire official.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that a space heater which had not been approved by a fire official was in use in the area identified in number 1 below:

1. The administrator's office.
2. A classroom.
3. The break room.
4. Several classrooms.
5. The hallway.
6. The entry way.
7. Other [].

The use of this space heater must be discontinued until approval for its use has been obtained. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes written fire approval for use of this space heater or a written statement that the space heater is no longer being used at the program, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/14/2026

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Medical/Physical Care Plans

Code: The program is required to have a completed JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" on file at the program for any child having a health condition and must implement and/or follow instructions on the plan. The program is required to have staff trained to perform the procedures on the JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" present at the program when the child requiring the procedure is onsite. Only staff who have been trained shall be permitted to perform the procedures listed on the JFS 01236.

Finding: In review of the children's records, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for caring for at least one child, indicated on the Children Records Review, with a condition that requires a JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan" as noted in numbers 1, 8-31 below:

1. No plan was on file.
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2. Child's name was missing.
3. Name of the condition was missing.
4. Indication if medication or medical food is required was missing.
5. Signs, symptoms or situations that require staff to take action were missing.
6. Activities, foods, environmental conditions to avoid were missing.
7. Training instructions for procedures for staff to follow were missing or incomplete.
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8. Child's name was missing or not attached.
9. Child's date of birth was missing or not attached.
10. Child's weight was missing or not attached.
11. Name of the medication/medical food was missing or not attached.
12. Dosage of medication/medical food to be administered was missing or not attached.
13. Time for medication/medical food to be administered was missing or not attached.
14. Expiration date for medication/medical food was missing or not attached.
15. Symptoms that require staff to administer medication/medical food were missing or not attached.
16. Specific instructions to administer the medication/medical food were missing or not attached.
17. Actions to be taken if the symptoms do not subside were missing or not attached.
18. Physician's signature was missing or not attached.
19. The date of the physician's signature was missing or not attached.
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20. Child's name was missing.
21. Instructions regarding emergency evacuation, if applicable, were missing.

22. Signature of parent granting permission to implement the plan and verifying training was missing.
23. Date of parent signature was missing.
24. Certified Professional Trainer information was missing.
25. Signature of certified professional who trained the program staff was missing, if parent was not the trainer.
26. Date of trainer signature was missing.
27. Printed name(s) of child care staff member(s) who have received instructions for care and/or have been trained to perform the procedure were missing.
28. Signature(s) of child care staff member(s) who have received instructions for care and/or have been trained to perform the procedure were missing.
29. Date of staff signature was missing.
30. Administrator/Provider signature was missing
31. Date of administrator/Provider was missing.

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32. Child's name was missing.
33. Name of medication or medical food was missing.
34. Date the medication/medical food was administered was missing.
35. Time medication/medical food was administered was missing.
36. Dosage of medication/medical food that was administered was missing.
37. Signature of person administering medication/medical food was missing.
38. The plan was not followed or implemented.
39. The plan was not able to be implemented due to conflicting information.
40. None of the child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 were onsite when a child requiring the plan was present.
41. Child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 were not scheduled to be present the entire the time the child requiring the plan was onsite.
42. None of the child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 accompanied the child requiring the plan during a trip.
43. A child care staff member who had not been trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 performed the procedure.
44. Medication listed in the procedures to follow was not onsite available to administer as instructed and alternate instructions for this situation were not included on the plan.

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the completed JFS 01236, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/14/2026

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records

Code: The program is required to maintain a record of the arrival and departure of each child. The program is also required to retain the original attendance record at the center for a period of one year.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for keeping an attendance record as listed in number 4 below:

1. No attendance record was being maintained.
2. The attendance record was not being consistently completed.
3. The record did not include the name of at least one child.
4. The record did not include the birth date of at least one child.
5. The record did not include the assigned group.
6. The record did not include the child's weekly schedule.
7. The record did not include the time (hours and minutes) of each child's arrival and departure to the program, including transportation by the program.
8. The original attendance record was not kept at the program for a period of one year.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/14/2026

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 1 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 [].

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: 03/14/2026

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: 03/14/2026

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 number 1 & 3 below:

1. Monthly fire drills.
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: 03/14/2026

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage

Code: The program is required to refrain from serving food on bare tables.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that food was served on bare tables. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/14/2026

Domain: 09 Children's Files

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

Code: The program is required to have a completed medical on file at the program for each child enrolled.

Finding: In review of 25% of the children's records, it was determined that completed medical statements were not on file, as required, for children listed on the JFS Children's Record Review For Child Care as indicated in number 1 below:

1. No medical was on file for at least one child
2. Medical(s) on file was not updated every 13 months
3. Medical(s) were missing child's name and date of birth
4. Medical(s) were missing the date of the medical examination
5. The date of the exam was more than 13 months prior to the date the form was signed.
6. Medical(s) were missing a statement that the child has been examined and is in suitable condition for participation in group care
7. Medical(s) were missing the signature, business address and telephone number of the physician, physician's assistant(PA), advance practice nurse (APN) or certified nurse practitioner (CNP) who examined the child
8. Medical(s) were missing a record of immunizations the child has had specifying month, day and year
9. Medical(s) were missing a statement from the physician, PA, APN, or CNP that the child has been immunized or is in the process of being immunized against the diseases required by division 5104.014 of the Revised Code and found in appendix A to this rule

10. Medical(s) were missing a statement from the child's parent or guardian that he or she has declined to have the child immunized against the disease for reasons of conscience, including religious convictions

11. Other []

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/14/2026

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 10, 13 & 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 requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/14/2026

Domain: 10 Written Policies & Procedures

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Written 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.

Finding: 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 number 1 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: 03/14/2026

Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-02 License Posted	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The license was in a location visible to parents as required.
Rule: 5180:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program had current information entered in the Ohio Child Licensing and Quality System (OCLQS).
Rule: 5180:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 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 [10/25/2026.
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: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The administrator has completed the rules review course.
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Employment records for current as well as past employees were being maintained on file as required.
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The administrator's hours of availability to meet with parents were posted in a noticeable location.
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The current licensing rules were available in a noticeable location on the premises.
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The administrator's posted hours of availability reflected an appropriate schedule meeting rule compliance.
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The written policies and procedures reviewed on the day of the inspection were verified as complete.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Medical Statement	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All employees had current medical statements on file.
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	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	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.
5180:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements	Compliant	
5180:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, it was discussed that blankets were washed weekly.

Rule: 5180:2-12-13 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: 5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Cots were cleaned and sanitized according to rule.
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the equipment was observed clean and in good repair.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Children were viewed washing their hands, as required by the rule.
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 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: 5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: No smoking was allowed on the premises, and the notice stating that smoking is prohibited was observed posted in a conspicuous place.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Requirements regarding routine and/or field trips were discussed during the inspection.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 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	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the program had complete first aid kits available as required.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 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: 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.
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A posted notice; 2. Verbal communication; 3. A written notice sent home; 4. A note posted on the classroom door; 5. Other [].
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 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: 5180:2-12-18 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: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Daily schedules were observed posted.
Rule: 5180:2-12-17 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: 5180:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Sufficient equipment was observed in all categories.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding daily outdoor play were discussed.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, enough Child Care Staff Members were employed to meet the staff/child ratios.
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.
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Staff/child ratios observed during the inspection were in compliance.
Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, child care staff were observed meeting the basic needs of all children assigned to the group.
Rule: 5180:2-12-19 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: 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Cots were placed appropriately and safely during nap time.
Rule: 5180:2-12-20 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: 5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Appropriate child guidance techniques and practices were observed being used during the inspection.
Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Meals were provided at intervals as required by this rule.
Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Snacks were provided at intervals as required by this rule.
Rule: 5180:2-12-25 Medication Administration	Not Verified	