Department of Children & Youth

Licensing Inspection Full Report

All licensed early care and education programs are inspected at least once each year. Non-compliances are documented and grouped by risk level. Documenting statements, technical assistance provided and supplemental information may be included in this report. Licensing inspection reports from the previous three years can be viewed on the Department of Children & Youth website at https://childcaresearch.ohio.gov/ . This includes complaint investigation reports with substantiated allegations. For any other early care and education records, please contact the Family and Customer Support Center at 1-844-234-5437.

Program Details		
Program Name Guidinglight Childcare Center LLC	Program Number 2260033142	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 1400 Elmore Ave Columbus OH 43224		County FRANKLIN

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Provisional	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Method On-site Inspection	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 10/27/2026	Begin Time 9:40 AM	End Time 12:55 PM	Reviewer: Sarena Powhida

Summary of Findings			
No. Requirements Verified 67	No. Requirements with Non-compliances 7		No. Requirements Compliant 54
No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk Findings 0	No. Other Non-compliance Findings 9	No. Technical Assistance Provided 5

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)		5	0	5
Young Toddler		4	0	4
Total Under 2 ½ Years	27	9	0	9
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		13	0	13
School Age		0	11	11
Total Capacity/Enrollment	46	13	11	33

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Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection				
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Compliance**	**Comment**
Toddlers	0 to < 12 months	1 to 3	In Compliance	~9:40. Infants, toddlers and preschool combined.
Toddlers	18 months to < 30 months	1 to 7	In Compliance	~12:15. Toddlers and preschool combined.
Infants	0 to < 12 months	1 to 2	In Compliance	~12:15

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, 5180:2-13-03, 5180:2-19-10 and 5180:2-20-02 detail the process for submitting a request for review. The request for review must be submitted within ten business days from the receipt of the licensing report. In addition, if the program is Step Up To Quality rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

A serious risk non-compliance is a licensing rule violation that has the potential to lead to a great risk of harm to a child and is observable and/or based on facts.

No serious risk non-compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

A moderate risk non-compliance is a licensing rule violation that has the potential to lead to a great risk of harm to a child and is observable and/or based on facts.

No moderate risk non-compliances were observed during this inspection

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Other Non-Compliances

This section includes other rule violations that are observable and/or based on facts.

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Postings

Requirement: The program is required to post emergency phone numbers.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that emergency phone numbers were not posted, readily in view in each classroom and other spaces used by the children.

The following was observed: The emergency numbers were not posted in the preschool and schoolage rooms.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/26/2026

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Postings

Requirement: The program is required to post the fire and weather plans.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the fire and/or weather alert plans did not meet the requirement of the rule.

The following was observed: fire alert plan, including a diagram indicating evacuation routes was missing (schoolage room); weather alert plan was missing a diagram indicating safe areas (preschool and schoolage room).

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/26/2026

Domain: **05 Health & Safety**

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions

Requirement: 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 items that are required by this rule to be contained in a first aid kit.

The following was observed: adhesive tape was missing (lower level); a working digital thermometer was missing (upper level).

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/26/2026

Domain: **05 Health & Safety**

Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Meal Preparation and Nutritional Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to post the current weekly menu in a noticeable location that is accessible to parents and note any substitutions at the time of the change.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the program's weekly menu did not meet the requirement .

The following was observed: the menu was not currently dated.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/26/2026

Domain: **05 Health & Safety**

Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Meal Preparation and Nutritional Requirements

Requirement: Meals and snacks provided or served by the program must include all required food groups and meet the recommended daily dietary allowances as specified by the USDA.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that a meal or snack served at the program did not meet the requirements.

The following was observed: the meal offered did not include an item from the vegetable group and only one serving of fruit was offered.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/26/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

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

Requirement: 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.

The following was observed: the child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention 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: 11/26/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Staff Immunization Records

Requirement: The program is required to have every employee provide immunization records.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that the immunization records for 1 of 7 employees, including child care staff members, did not meet the requirement.

The following was observed: the immunization records were not on file within the first thirty days from start of employment

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/26/2026

Domain: **09 Children's Files**

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

Requirement: The program is required to have a completed and updated DCY 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care" or equivalent form on file for each child enrolled.

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 DCY 01234 “Child Enrollment Form for Early Care and Education Programs” or equivalent form as required.

The following was observed as missing: acknowledgement of Policies and Procedures; enrollment form for at least one child was not signed by the administrator

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/26/2026

Domain: **10 Written Policies & Procedures**

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan

Requirement: The program is required to have an emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP).

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program’s emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP) did not meet the requirement or was missing the information.

The following was observed as missing: The EPRP had not been updated to meet the updated requirements.

Make the necessary revisions to the EPRP. Submit the program’s corrective action plan, which includes the revised information, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 11/26/2026

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Technical Assistance Provided

This section documents technical assistance provided to the program when the program demonstrated an overall level of compliance with a rule requirement.

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications

Requirement: The program administrator is required to complete the rules course review within the defined time period.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program's administrator did not complete the rules review course as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

Domain: 08 Staff Files

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

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

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined employment records are missing or incomplete in the OPR as required (one schedule missing). Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

Domain: 08 Staff Files

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

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

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the employee's education document verifying completion of high school education is not complete or on file as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Staff TB Screening Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to have every employee provide evidence of tuberculois (TB) screening prior to the first day of employment.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined verification of TB screening was not on file as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

Domain: 10 Written Policies & Procedures

Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures

Requirement: The program administrator is required to maintain the parent handbook.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the administrator is not maintaining the parent handbook as required. (The handbook had not been updated to meet the updated requirements.) Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

In Compliance/Not Verified/Previously Verified/Not Applicable

This section documents rule requirements that were assessed as fully compliant, previously verified, not verified during this inspection or not applicable to the program.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-02 License Visible	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-04 Fire Inspection	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The food service license was observed posted. Following is the audit number and date of expiration: 0033141, expires 3/1/27.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180:2-12-05 Denial, Revocation and Suspension	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements	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 Outdoor Space Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: A notice was observed posted stating that smoking is prohibited at the program.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	

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	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Health Care Plans	Compliant	Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, there were no children currently enrolled who had health conditions.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Daily schedules were observed posted.

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
5180:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-18 Group Size	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Child Care Staff Members were observed recording the attendance for each child upon arrival.

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

5180:2-12-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Not Applicable

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 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-24 Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Documentation for completed fire, weather, and emergency/lockdown drills was verified during this inspection.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-21 Mobile Preschools	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-02 Amendments to the License	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping - Practices	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Immunization Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: At the time of the inspection, 25% of the children's records were reviewed, and the immunization records were complete, as required by the rule.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs - Safe Environment and Practices	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All cribs were labeled with the assigned infant's name.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-15 Child Record Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping - Equipment and Environment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-20 Cribs - Placement	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-23 2026 Diapering and Toilet Training - Supplies	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-22 Specialized Diets	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training - Practices	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Documentation	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Administration Practices	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Storage	Compliant	