Department of Education
Department of Job and Family Services

# Center Complaint Inspection Summary Report

All licensed child care programs are inspected at least once each year. Non-compliances are documented and grouped as Serious, Moderate or Low risk violations. Documenting statements and supplemental information may be included in this report. Licensing inspection reports from the previous three years can be viewed on the child care website at http://jfs.ohio.gov/CDC/childcare.stm. This includes complaint investigation reports with substantiated allegations. For any other child care records, please contact the Child Care Help Desk at 1-877-302-2347, option 4.

| Program Details | | |
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| Program Name<br>VALLEY CHRISTIAN EARLY LEARNING CENTER@ HIGHWAY | Program Number<br>000000100437 | Program Type<br>Child Care Center |
| Address<br>3000 RACOON RD. AUSTINTOWN OH 44515 | | County<br>MAHONING |

| Inspection Information | | | |
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| Inspection Type<br>Complaint | | Inspection Scope<br>Partial | Inspection Notice<br>Unannounced |
| Reviewer(s) KATHLEEN BONACCI | Inspection Day<br>06/12/2024 | Begin Time<br>9:34 AM | End Time<br>12:15 PM |

| Summary of Findings | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| No. Rules Verified | No. Rules with Non-compliances | No. Serious Risk | No. Moderate Risk | No. Low Risk |
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| Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection | | | |
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| **Group** | **Age Group/Range** | **Ratio Observed** | **Comment** |
| Infant Room# 1 | 0 to < 12 months | 1 to 2 | Sleeping in cribs |
| Older Infants Room # 102 | 12 months to < 18 months | 2 to 4 | Buggy ride |
| Toddler Room # 3 | 18 months to < 30 months | 2 to 7 | Free play<br>Diaper change |
| 21/2 -3 years Room # 107 | 30 months to < 36 months | 2 to 7 | Playground |
| Older school age 8-12 years of age | School-Age to < 11 years | 1 to 7 | Fellowship Hall<br>Gross Motor activity |
| Combined school age group | 4 years to < 5 years | 1 to 13 | Younger school age 4-5 years & older school age 5- 8 years combined<br>Circle |
| Preschool K-3 Room # 4 | 3 years to < 4 years | 2 to 9 | Circle<br>Story time |
| Preschool K-3 Room # 105 | 3 years to < 4 years | 2 to 8 | Free play |

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## Complaint Allegations

*If a program disagrees with a licensing finding, the program may request a review of the finding(s). Ohio Administrative Code 5101:2-12-03 and 5101:2-13-03 detail the process for submitting a request for review. The request for review must be submitted within seven business days from the receipt of the licensing report. In addition, if the program is star rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited.*

**Domain:00 License & Approvals**

Rule: 5101:2-12-04 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.

Allegation: The program was observed caring for children under 2.5 year of age in Room # 3 with no direct egress.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: 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 7 children less than two and one-half years of age. The program's building code limitation was violated in that children under 2.5 years of age are being cared for in room 3, which with no direct egress was not approved on the certificate of occupancy for children under 2.5 years of age. .

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.

Risk Level: Moderate

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/27/2024

## Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

### Serious Risk Non-Compliances

**No Additional Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection**

## Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

**No Additional Moderate Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection**

## Low Risk Non-Compliances

**No Low Additional Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection**