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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		
Program Name THE GODDARD SCHOOL OF SPRINGBORO	Program Number 000000205841	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 705 GARDNER ROAD Springboro OH 45066		County WARREN

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) Wendy Staker	Inspection Day 04/20/2026	Begin Time 11:30 AM	End Time 4:00 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			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Dragonfly		2 to 36	
Dragonfly		2 to 35	at arrival, private K
Grasshopper (PK)		3 to 42	at arrival/lunch, group too large-exceeding group size and room capacity.
Grasshopper (PK)		1 to 13	grasshopper group split after nap with 1 teacher and 13 children-took to playground with rest of group (who were 2:25)
Grasshopper (PK)		2 to 25	outside after nap
Butterfly (PS)		3 to 31	group too large, exceeding group size and occupancy for room

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Butterfly (PS)		3 to 32	group too large, exceeding occupancy for classroom too
Crickets (Young PS)		3 to 27	(arrival) group too large-exceeding group size and occupancy for classroom
Crickets (Young PS)		3 to 27	3:23PM, group too large-exceeding group size and occupancy for room.
Caterpillar	30 months to < 36 months	3 to 19	at arrival, group too large-exceeding group size and room occupancy
Caterpillar		2 to 16	3:30PM
Caterpillar		3 to 19	lunch
Beetles	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 14	at arrival
Beetles		2 to 14	lunch
Beetles		2 to 13	3:25PM
Beetles		2 to 14	nap
Bumblebees	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 14	at arrival
Bumblebees		2 to 14	3:25PM after nap
Bumblebees		2 to 14	lunch
Junebugs		2 to 12	3:30PM
Junebugs	12 months to < 18 months	3 to 12	at arrival
Junebugs		3 to 12	nap
Ladybugs		2 to 7	3:30PM
Ladybugs	0 to < 12 months	3 to 10	at arrival
Gym-Napping Room		1 to 16	one 2 year old, one 3 year old, 14 4/5 year olds
Gym-Napping Room		1 to 14	start of nap
Gym-Napping Room		2 to 27	group size too large/over ratio-not following group/ratio for youngest child
Club Goddard (SA)		1 to 12	first round of SA arrival

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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: 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.

Allegation: Allegation that program is operating over capacity.

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 6 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 Caterpillar room occupancy had been exceeded, 19 children were being cared for in this space that had been approved for 18 children. The Grasshopper room occupancy had been exceeded with 42 children being care for in a space that had been approved for 38 children. The Cricket room occupancy had been exceeded with 27 children being care for in a space that was approved for 24 children. The Butterfly room occupancy had been exceeded with 32 children being cared for in space approved for 24 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, [ ].

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: 05/24/2026

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Group Size
Code: The program is required to maintain the appropriate group size for each group of children served.

Allegation: Allegation that program is exceeding group size.

Determination: Substantiated

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Findings: During the inspection, group size limitations were not maintained for the group of Butterfly(PS) as it was determined there were 32 children grouped together, the Cricket (PS) group included 27 children, the Grasshopper (PK) group included 42 children and the Caterpillar (Young PS) group included 19 children. The nap room in the gym included 27 children.

The group size shall not exceed twice the maximum number of children allowed per Child Care Staff Member. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Risk Level: Low

Corrective Action Plan Due: 05/24/2026

Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

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

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio
Code: The program is required to maintain the appropriate staff to child ratio for each group served.

Findings: During the inspection, a ratio of 2 child care staff members for 27 children was determined to have occurred for the gym (nap) group when the situation in number 7 below occurred:

1. A child care staff member stepped out of the room.
2. A child care staff member had not arrived at work on time.
3. Children were present who were not scheduled to be there.
4. A child care staff member was unable to work.
5. A child was injured in that group.
6. A child arrived in the group before a second staff member was scheduled to arrive with the group.
7. Two groups were combined, and the program did not follow the ratio for the youngest child in the group. (Group napping in gym included one 2 year old, seven 3 year olds and nineteen 4/5 year olds)
8. A child was transitioning to the next older age group, and the program did not follow the ratio for the youngest child in the group.
9. Ratio was doubled for more than two hours while children were napping.

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10. Ratio was doubled while children were napping for a group that included at least one infant.
11. Ratio was doubled while children were napping and there were not enough staff members in the building to meet staff/child ratio.
12. Ratio was doubled in the school age group to allow access to the program, however, the program does not serve only school age children.
13. Both child care staff members did not have a working communication device when one staff member left the group to allow access to the school age only program.
14. The child care staff member did not return to the group after allowing access to the school age only program.
15. Other [ ].

Additional child care staff members must be hired or current child care staff members must be rescheduled to maintain compliance. 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: 05/24/2026

Low Risk Non-Compliances

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