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 The Nest Schools Rocky River	Program Number 000000305731	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 19315 HILLIARD BLVD ROCKY RIVER OH 44116		County CUYAHOGA

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Method On-site Inspection	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 09/24/2026	Begin Time 10:20 AM	End Time 2:43 PM	Reviewer: REBECCA KOTEWICZ

Summary of Findings			
No. Requirements Verified 67	No. Requirements with Non-compliances 8		No. Requirements Compliant 52
No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk Findings 0	No. Other Non-compliance Findings 9	No. Technical Assistance Provided 7

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)		26	0	26
Young Toddler		11	0	11
Total Under 2 ½ Years	58	37	0	37
Older Toddler		32	0	32
Preschool		88	0	88
School Age		0	0	0
Total Capacity/Enrollment	146	120	0	157

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Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection				
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Compliance**	**Comment**
Robins B	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 14	In Compliance	10:30
Robins B	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 14	In Compliance	12:20, lunch
Robins B	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 10	In Compliance	2p, nap
Cardinals A	30 months to < 36 months	2 to 9	In Compliance	10:30
Cardinals A	30 months to < 36 months	1 to 9	In Compliance	11:45. nap
Cardinals A	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 9	In Compliance	2p
Hum A	0 to < 12 months	2 to 12	In Compliance	11:45
Hum A	0 to < 12 months	3 to 12	In Compliance	Arrival, 10:30am
Hum A	0 to < 12 months	2 to 12	In Compliance	2pm
Hum B	12 months to < 18 months	2 to 10	In Compliance	10:30a
Hum B	12 months to < 18 months	2 to 10	In Compliance	11:45, nap
Hum B	12 months to < 18 months	2 to 10	In Compliance	2p nap
Ducklings	12 months to < 18 months	2 to 11	In Compliance	11:45, nap
Ducklings	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 11	In Compliance	2p, nap
Robins A	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 11	In Compliance	12:20, lunch
Robins A	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 11	In Compliance	10:30
Robins A	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 13	In Compliance	2p, outside. 3 from Robins B
Penguins B	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	In Compliance	12:20, lunch
Penguins B	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	In Compliance	10:30, playground
Penguins B	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	In Compliance	2p, nap
penguins A	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 12	In Compliance	10:30

penguins A	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 12	In Compliance	12:20, lunch
penguins A	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 12	In Compliance	2p, nap
Penguins C	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	In Compliance	12:20 lunch
Penguins C	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 9	In Compliance	10:30
Penguins C	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	In Compliance	2p, nap
Cardinals B	30 months to < 36 months	2 to 10	In Compliance	12:20, lunch
Cardinals B	30 months to < 36 months	2 to 10	In Compliance	10:30
Cardinals B	30 months to < 36 months	1 to 10	In Compliance	2p, nap
Cardinals C	30 months to < 36 months	2 to 10	In Compliance	10:30
Cardinals C	30 months to < 36 months	2 to 10	In Compliance	12:20, lunch
Cardinals C	30 months to < 36 months	2 to 12	In Compliance	2p, nap

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

Other Non-Compliances

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

Domain: **01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Supervision

Requirement: The program staff is required to supervise children in their assigned group by sight and hearing. Supervision includes being near enough to respond and reach children immediately including responding to the child's basic needs and protecting them from harm.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that children were not being properly supervised.

The following was observed: • Staff were not near enough to observe, respond, and anticipate reasonably foreseeable hazards and threats. Infant sleeping area.

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: 10/25/2026

Domain: **02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment

Requirement: 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.

The following was observed: Stools in Penguins B & C were not slip resistant.

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: 10/25/2026

Domain: **02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

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

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

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that the environment, furniture, materials, and/or equipment were not kept in a sanitary condition at all times.

The following was observed: Infant 2 floor under cribs was visibly soiled.

The center shall be cleaned daily. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/25/2026

Domain: **02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

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

Requirement: The program is required to provide a clean restroom with the appropriate materials available.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that unsanitary conditions were in the Robins B restroom:

The following was observed: Strong urine smell.

The restroom(s) must be kept sanitary at all times. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirement of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/25/2026

Domain: **02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment

Requirement: The program is required to use equipment, that is safe and hazard free, according to the manufacturer's guidelines. Fans, air conditioners, heat pumps, and space heaters must be inaccessible to children. The program is required to refrain from using trampolines, ball pits and inflatable equipment intended for climbing and bouncing, including but not limited to slides and bounce houses.

Finding: During the inspection, equipment was determined to be unsafe, hazardous to children, or in need of repair.

The following was observed: Manufacturer's guidelines for the swaddles in Infant 1 were not followed in that the arms were not being properly used.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/25/2026

Domain: **07 Diapering & Infant Care**

Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs - Safe Environment and Practices

Requirement: The program is required to label all cribs.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that at least one crib was not labeled with the child's name, as required by this rule. Submit the program’s corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule. Infant 2.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/25/2026

Domain: **07 Diapering & Infant Care**

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

Requirement: The program staff is required to label and store bottles with breast milk following the requirements in rule.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that breast milk provided by the parent was not stored appropriately.

The following was observed: Breast milk did not have the date expressed and the date prepared.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/25/2026

Domain: **09 Children's Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Health Care Plans

Requirement: The program is required to use a health care plan form that is equivalent to content to the DCY 01236

Finding: In review of the children's records, it was determined that the DCY 01236 "Health Care Plan Documentation & Permission to Administer Medication" or equivalent form did not meet the requirements of the rule.

The following was observed: Pare 4 not complete, need 2 pages for medications, 1236 expired.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/25/2026

Domain: **10 Written Policies & Procedures**

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

Requirement: The program is required to train child care staff members and employees on the EPRP annually and keep written documentation of the training on-site.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program's emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP) did not meet the requirement for training child care staff members and employees on the plan annually.

The following was observed: No documentation of staff training.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/25/2026

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: 03 Postings & Equipment

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

Requirement: The program is required to have enough equipment for all children in care.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not have an adequate number of materials and/or equipment in each category required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time. Infant 1, Infant 2, Toddler 1 & toddler 2.

Domain: 07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs - Placement

Requirement: The program is required to place cribs two feet apart when in use.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not separate cribs at least two feet apart 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. Infant 2.

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. Diploma needs to be transcribed.

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.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined staff have not completed health and safety training(s) 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: 5180:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to ensure child care staff members, including substitutes used more than ninety days annually, obtain at least 6 hours of professional development each state fiscal year.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined staff did not complete professional development 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: 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.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the child's enrollment form is not complete or updated annually 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. 1234 expired.

Domain: 10 Written Policies & Procedures

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

Requirement: The program's policies and procedures are required to include all topics outlined in rule.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program's policies and procedures handbook does not contain all items 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.

• Legally required information for parents and employees found in appendix C to this rule must be included with the parent/employee handbook.

• Formal screenings and assessments on enrolled children and if the program reports child level data to DCY pursuant to Chapter 5180:2-17 of the Administrative Code.

• Social media policy including, but not limited to, addressing publication of child photos or other identifying information, if applicable.

• Ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), including administering medication and/or care procedures to children with disabilities.

• Policy to prohibit center employees from exposing children to inappropriate language, media, or behavior.

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
5180:2-12-03 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 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 8/20/27.
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Fire Inspection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Although the program had documentation of a current

		fire inspection without any uncorrected violations at the time of the licensing inspection, the program did not have the fire inspection completed within 12 months from the date of the last fire inspection without any uncorrected violations. Please ensure that fire inspections are completed in accordance with the rule requirements.

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: FSO 1832549, March 1, 2027, Level III.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-05 Denial, Revocation and Suspension	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	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
5180:2-12-09 Background Check 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
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The protective material used under outdoor equipment was Foam fake grass.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	

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

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
5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	

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
5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records	Compliant	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-22 Meal Preparation and Nutritional 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
5180:2-12-22 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
5180:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	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
5180:2-12-16 Emergency Postings	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-08 Staff Immunization Records	Compliant	

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
5180:2-12-15 Child Immunization Records	Compliant	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-08 Staff TB Screening 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
5180:2-12-22 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
5180:2-12-23 2026 Diapering and Toilet Training - Supplies	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 Documentation	Compliant	

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