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Family Child Care 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 SWORDS, BRANDY	Program Number 000000933781274	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 538-1/2 LAUREL STREET CHILLICOTHE OH 45601		County ROSS

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Compliance	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Announced
Inspection Date 02/11/2025	Begin Time 8:51 AM	End Time 10:20 AM
Reviewer: Kellie Graves		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
69	8	0	3	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		0	0	0
Total Under 2 Years	3	0	0	0
Older Toddler		3	0	3
Preschool		1	0	1
School Age		0	0	0
Total Capacity/Enrollment	6	4	0	4

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Brandy Swords	Mixed Age Group	1 to 3	

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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 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.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

No Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment
Code: The program is required to protect children from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well-being.

Findings: Children in care shall be protected from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well-being. During the inspection, it was determined the program did not protect children from an unsafe item or condition or equipment due to the following number(s) 7 below:

1. Pull cord(s) on the window blind(s).
2. Extension cord(s); electrical cord(s) attached to an object that could result in a severe injury if pulled.
3. Stacked tables.
4. Folding tables.
5. Matches and/or a lighter.
6. Power tool(s).
7. Live wires.
8. Stove(s) that are either on or able to be turned on by a child.
9. Asbestos.
10. Traffic.
11. A body of water.
12. A well.
13. Environmental hazard(s) confirmed by local authorities having jurisdiction over the hazard.
14. A crockpot used to heat bottles.
15. Immediate access to a knife.
16. Large or heavy pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.

17. Marijuana was accessible to children.
18. Other [ ].

Any hazardous equipment must be removed, replaced, or repaired and any hazardous condition must be corrected and must be made inaccessible to children. Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the item or condition has been removed and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/13/2025

Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-13-11 Outdoor Space
Code: The program is required to have an outdoor play space free from immediate risk.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that an area was used which was not protected from traffic and other hazards by a continuous fence in good condition, or natural barrier, that ensured children were not able to leave the playground area. The fence or natural barrier was determined to present an immediate risk for a child to be able to leave the playground as noted in number 1, 3, 4 below:

1. The fence, natural barrier, or combination of fence and natural barrier was not continuous.
2. The fencing had missing slat boards through which children could leave the playground.
3. The gate was broken and did not close.
4. The latch on the gate was broken.
5. The gate had no latch.
6. The fencing was broken.
7. The latch was easily opened by children on the playground.
8. The latch was not engaged to prevent children from opening the gate.
9. The portable fencing approved for use by the Department was not being used.
10. Other [ ].

Discontinue use of the playground and provide a space for outdoor play which is well defined by a continuous fence or natural barrier and protected from other hazards. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-13-11 Fall Zone
Code: The program is required to have an adequate fall surface on the outdoor playground.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the playground did not have adequate fall surface under and around equipment as noted in the following number(s) 2 below:

1. No fall surface
2. Adequate fall surface to soften the impact of a fall
3. Other [ ]

Any equipment designed for climbing, swinging, bouncing, or sliding needs a fall zone of protective material resilient under and around the equipment in order to protect children in the event of a fall. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes written verification of the discontinued use of this equipment until corrections are made along with a description of the resilient material added, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-13-02 Information in OCLQS
Code: The provider is required to keep their information current in OCLQS.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the information in number(s)4 below was not up to date in the Ohio Child Care Licensing and Quality System:

1. Mailing Address;
2. Telephone Number;
3. Email Address;
4. Days and Hours of Operation;
5. Services Offered;
6. Name of Program, If applicable.
7. Private pay rates.

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

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Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-13-04 Heaters in a Type B Home
Code: The program is required to have a nonflammable guard in front of heaters.

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Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that a nonflammable guard was not used in front of a heater in the following rooms play room Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/15/2025

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment
Code: The program is required to have running water below the temperature of 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the water temperature was 122 in the following room(s) kitchen. This temperature exceeds the requirement of remaining below 120 degrees Fahrenheit. Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/13/2025

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 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.

Findings: Children in care shall be protected from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well being. During the inspection, it was determined that children were not protected from the following item(s) or condition(s) which may threaten their health, safety, or well being as noted in the following number(s) 22 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. Telephone cords.
7. Employee(s) purse(s).
8. Diaper bags.
9. Television not securely anchored.
10. Small or lightweight pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.
11. Staff member stepped over a barrier/gate while holding a child.
12. Chipping or peeling paint.
13. An area rug did not have a nonskid backing.
14. An area rug presented a tripping hazard.
15. A floor surface was unsafe in that [ ].
16. No platform was provided for the sink or toilet.

17. The platform provided for the sink or toilet was not sturdy.
18. The platform provided for the sink or toilet posed a safety hazard in that [ ].
19. Emergency exits were blocked by the following furniture in that [ ].
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: Cord accessible in kitchen drawer, shampoo accessible in shower, broom accessible in kitchen.

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

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Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment
Code: The program is required to have all required items in the restroom(s) and keep them sanitary.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that unsanitary conditions, as noted in the following number(s) 9 below, were in the restroom:

1. There was no liquid soap.
2. There was no toilet tissue.
3. There were no individually assigned towels or disposable towels.
4. The toilet cleaning brush was accessible to the children.
5. The plunger was accessible to the children.
6. The toilet was not flushed.
7. The trash was not emptied from the day before.
8. There was a strong urine odor.
9. Other: No hot water in restroom.

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

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Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-13-11 Outdoor Equipment
Code: The program is required to provide equipment that does not pose a safety risk and must follow the manufacturer's guidelines for assembling, installing and using the equipment.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that outdoor play equipment was unsafe as noted in the number(s) 17 below:

1. There was rust exposed.

2. There was protruding bolts.
3. There were cracks.
4. There were holes.
5. There was splintering wood.
6. There were sharp edges or points.
7. There were lead hazards.
8. There were toxic substances.
9. There were tripping hazards.
10. The sandbox was not covered when the program was closed or during non-daylight hours.
11. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was not developmentally appropriate.
12. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was placed in the main traffic pattern.
13. Outdoor play equipment, [ ], was positioned too closely together, posing a risk of injury if a child were to fall from one piece of equipment into another.
14. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was not securely anchored but did not present a risk of imminent danger of the structure collapsing when children are using the equipment
15. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was 30 inches or more from the ground and did not have a protective barrier that would prevent a child from falling off this piece of equipment.
16. The manufacturer's guidelines for assembly and installation were not followed for the [ ].
17. Other: jump rope hanging from play set.

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

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Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-13-11 Outdoor Space
Code: The program staff is required to protect the children from hazardous conditions in the outdoor play area.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the following hazardous conditions existed in the outdoor play area, as noted in number(s) 15 below:

1. There was broken glass.
2. There were tall weeds.
3. There was poison ivy.
4. There were tree branches.
5. There was mold visible.
6. The sandbox was contaminated.
7. There were thistles with prickers.
8. There were bird droppings.
9. The outdoor area was littered with trash.
10. The trash can was missing a lid.
11. The trash was not emptied from the day(s) before.
12. The trash can was overflowing with trash.
13. The trash can was infested with insects.
14. The trash can was visibly dirty.

15. Other: Splintering wood on ground, trash and stacked wood accessible due to broken gate, fence is in need of repair due to splintering wood.

Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

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Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-16 First Aid Kit/Standard Precautions
Code: The program is required to meet the requirements for first aid kits.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program did not have a first aid kit onsite as required, that included all items listed in the appendix A of the rule. The kit(s) were missing the item(s) or the item(s) were not replaced after use and/or expired listed in number(s) 14 below:

1. One roll of first-aid tape;
2. Individually wrapped sterile gauze;
squares in assorted sizes;
3. Sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes;
4.Tweezers;
5. Gauze rolled bandage;
6. Triangular bandage;
7. Rounded end scissors;
8. Tooth preservation system or fresh chilled liquid milk in which to transport a lost permanent tooth, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where milk is stored if a tooth preservation system is not part of the first aid kit (for programs serving school age children only);
9. A working digital thermometer;
10. Disposable non-latex gloves;
11. A working flashlight;
12. An instant cold pack that has not been activated or ice, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where the ice is stored if an instant cold pack is not part of the first aid kit;
13. Sealable leak-proof plastic bags in assorted sizes or double bagged plastic bags that can be securely tied for materials soiled with blood or bodily fluids;
14. Pocket mask or face shield, appropriate; for all ages of children in care, for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) administration;
15. Soap or waterless sanitizer (field trip or transporting away from the program only);
16. Bottled water (field trip or transporting away from the program only).

Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Voluntary Temporary Closure	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 License Visible	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Change of Location	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Provider Medical	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Building Requirements for Type B Homes	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Fire Safety for Type B Homes	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Flammable and Combustible Materials in a Type B Home	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-05 Denial, Revocation, and Suspension	Compliant	

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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Staff Records	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Provider Responsibilities	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13 Written Policies and Procedures	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Type B Provider - Foster Parent	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Employee Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Child Care Staff Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Whistle Blower	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-09 Background Checks	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-10 Health Training	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-10 Professional Development	Compliant	

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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Indoor Space	Compliant	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-12 Carbon Monoxide Detectors - Type B Only	Compliant	

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records	Compliant	

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Requirements for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Ratio and Supervision for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Driver Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Vehicle Inspections	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-15 Health Conditions	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-15 Child Records Retention and Confidentiality	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Communicable Diseases	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Incident/Injury	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-17 Programming	Compliant	

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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-18 Group Size and Ratios	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-18 Attendance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 School Age Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Sleep and Nap Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Crib and Playpen Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-21 Sanitary Environment and Hygiene	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

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5180:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Food Handling	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Fluid Milk	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Diapering	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 On-site Pools	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 Swimming Sites	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 Parent Permission for Swimming	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-25 Medication Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-14-06 Health Conditions	Compliant	

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