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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 SPEARS, CAROL	Program Number 000000961790381	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 366 BELLEFONTAINE AVENUE MARION OH 43302		County MARION

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Compliance	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 10/27/2025	Begin Time 10:20 AM	End Time 11:58 AM
Reviewer: Lisa Myers		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
68	9	0	0	11

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		2	0	2
Preschool		0	0	0
School Age		2	0	2
Total Capacity/Enrollment	6	4	0	4

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Carol's group	Mixed Age Group	1 to 1	

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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

No Moderate Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-13-04 Fire Safety for Type B Homes
Code: The program is required to meet all requirements for fire extinguishers.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the fire extinguisher was not meeting the requirements in the following number(s) 4 listed below:

1. There was no fire extinguisher.
2. The fire extinguisher was not working.
3. The fire extinguisher was not rated at the minimum rating.
4. The fire extinguisher had expired.
5. The fire extinguisher was not located in the kitchen where food is provided for child care or cooking area.

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: 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) 1 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 [ ].

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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: 5180:2-13-12 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 123.3 degrees Fahrenheit in the following room(s) first floor restroom. 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.

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Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Pets
Code: The program is required to properly care for pets and prevent any threat to the safety or health of the children by the pet.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined pets at the program were not properly housed or cared for or posed a threat to the safety or health of the children as noted in number(s) 6 below:

1. The animal's cage was dirty with feces.
2. The aquarium was unclean.
3. The litter box was dirty with feces.
4. A pet posed a threat to the safety of a child in that [ ].
5. A pet requiring a license did not have a current license.
6. Proper inoculation records were not on file at the program for a pet requiring inoculations.
7. Children were exposed to the pet's urine and/or feces.
8. Other [ ].

A pet that poses a threat to the children shall not be at the program. All pets at the program must receive proper care and housing. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

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Rule: 5180:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan
Code: The program is required to post the completed JFS 01242 "Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan for Child Care" and implement as required by rule.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the requirements for the JFS 01242 "Medical, Dental and General Emergency Plan" were not followed as noted in number(s) 7 below:

1. The plan was not posted on each level of the home used for child care.
2. The name, address and telephone number of the program were not complete.
3. The location of the first aid kit, fire extinguisher and fire alarm system, fire alarm pull stations and electrical circuit box were not complete.
4. The telephone number for emergency squad, fire department hospital, poison control program, public children services agency, local health department, local emergency management agency and police department were not complete.
5. Location of children's records was not complete.
6. Emergency information including any medications or supplies needed i the event of an evacuation was not complete.
7. The current version of the prescribed form was not used.
8. The plan was not implemented when necessary in that [ ].

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Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-22 Fluid Milk
Code: The program is to ensure that children are served age-appropriate fluid milk.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program did not have the type of milk on-site to ensure that all children were served age-appropriate fluid milk requirements. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this 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/ on the vehicle/ on a field trip] 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) 9 below:

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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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Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks
Code: The program is required to post the current menu in a noticeable location that is accessible to parents and note any substitutions at the time of the change.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program's weekly menu did not meet the requirement as noted in number(s) 1 & 3 below.

1. The menu was not posted.
2. The posted menu was not in a visible place readily accessible to parents.
3. The menu was not currently dated.
4. The entire menu was substituted.
5. At least one item on menu did not match what was served.
6. The meal or snack served did not match the posted menu.

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Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-07 Staff Records
Code: The provider is required to maintain current employee, child care staff members and resident records in the Ohio Professional Registry.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that employment records in the Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) were not created or maintained as noted in number(s) 2 below:
1. The provider had not created or updated their individual profile in the OPR.
2. The provider had not created or updated the program's organizational dashboard in the OPR.
3. At least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member had not created or updated their individual profile in the OPR.
4. At least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member had not created an employment record in the OPR for the program on or before the first day of employment, including date of hire.
5. At least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member had not updated changes to positions or roles in the OPR within five calendar days of the change.
6. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated within five business days when at least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member's scheduled days and hours changed.
7. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated within five business days when at least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member's group assignments changed, if applicable.
8. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated with the employment end date within five business days when at least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member ended employment.
9. At least one resident over the age of eighteen had not created a profile and employment record for the family child care provider within five days of becoming a resident or turning eighteen.
10. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated within five calendar days of a change in residency for at least one resident over the age of eighteen.
11.Other: []
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Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records
Code: The program is required to have a completed medical on file for each child.

Findings: In review of of the children's records, it was determined that completed medical statements were not on file, as required, for children listed on the JFS Children's Record Review For Child Care as indicated in number(s) 1 below:

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1. No medical was on file for at least one child
2. Medical(s) on file was not updated every 13 months
3. Medical(s) were missing child's name and date of birth
4. Medical(s) were missing the date of the medical examination
5. The date of the exam was more than 13 months prior to the date the form was signed
6. Medical(s) were missing a statement that the child has been examined and is in suitable condition for participation in group care
7. Medical(s) were missing the signature, business address and telephone number of the physician, physician's assistant(PA), advance practice nurse (APN) or certified
nurse practitioner (CNP) who examined the child
8. Medical(s) were missing a record of immunizations the child has had specifying month, day and year
9. Medical(s) were missing a statement from the physician, PA, APN, or CNP that the child has been immunized or is in the process of being immunized against the diseases
required by division 5104.014 of the Revised Code and found in appendix A to this rule
10. Medical(s) were missing a statement from the child's parent or guardian that he or she has declined to have the child immunized against the disease for reasons of
conscience, including religious convictions
11. Other [ ]

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Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records
Code: The program is required to have a completed JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information for Child Care" on file on the premises for each child.

Findings: In review of the children's records, it was determined that information had not been secured from the parent/guardian on the JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care", as required, for the items in number(s) 4, 15 & 16 below:

1. No enrollment form was completed for at least one child
2. The current JFS 01234 was not completed for at least one child
3. Complete child information
4. Complete parent information
5. Complete emergency contact information
6. Complete physician information
7. Information regarding the parent list
8. Health information
9. Additional information for all boxes checked "yes"
10. Emergency transportation information
11. Parent/guardian's signature
12. Diapering Statement

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13. Acknowledgement of Policies and Procedures
14. Enrollment form for at least one child was not updated by either the parent or the administrator
15. Enrollment form for at least one child was not signed by the administrator
16. Other One child's JFS 01234 was missing page #4 of the 4 page form.

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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 Information in OCLQS	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

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5180:2-13-04 Building Requirements 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
5180:2-13-04 Heaters in a Type B Home	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	

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

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

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Fall Zone	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
5180:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment	Compliant	

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

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

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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 Emergency Drills	Compliant	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

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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	

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	

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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
5180:2-13-22 Food Handling	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	

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