Department of Children & Youth

Licensing Inspection Full Report

Program Details		
Program Type: Pre School	Program Name: Springs East School-Building 1	Program Number: 1000014666
Address: 9429 Loveland Madeira Rd Cincinnati OH 45242		County: HAMILTON
Organization Name: Springs East School	Org IRN: 132571	Site IRN: 139998

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope: Full	Inspection Notice: Unannounced
Visit Date: 01/14/2026	Begin Time: 10:30 AM	End Time: 1:30 PM

The most recent written compliance reports and the program's corrective action plan shall remain posted in a conspicuous place near the posted program license until the next compliance report is received from the department

Note: All documented non-compliances are grouped as Serious, Moderate and Low risk violations. A serious risk non-compliance may impact a program's Step up to Quality rating.

Summary of Findings		
Number of Rules Verified: 178	Number of Rules with Non-Compliances: 12	
Serious Risk Non-Compliances: 3	Moderate Risk Non-Compliances: 2	Low Risk Non-Compliances: 7

Summary of Non-Compliances

If a program disagrees with a licensing finding, the program may request a review of the finding(s). 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 risk non-compliance is cited.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180-37-02 Falsified information was submitted to the department

Code: S - Falsified information was submitted to the department

Findings: S - Falsified information was submitted to the department

Corrective Action Plan Due:01/28/2026

Domain: **00 License & Approvals**

Rule: 5180-37:02 A child was left unattended inside or outside the facility

Code: This violation is identified as a serious risk due to the great risk of harm ; a child was left unattended inside or outside of facility/building.

Findings: It was observed or reported that a child was left unattended inside or outside the facility.

Corrective Action Plan Due:01/28/2026

Domain: **00 License & Approvals**

Rule: 5180-37:02 Program used a prohibited disciplinary technique

Code: This violation is identified as a serious risk due to the great risk of harm; The program used prohibited disciplinary techniques specified in rule 3301-37-10 and rule 3301-35-15 of the Administrative Code.

Findings: It was observed or reported that the program used a prohibited disciplinary technique.

Corrective Action Plan Due:01/28/2026

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: **01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff/child ratio maintained at all times

Code: This rule requires the preschool staff member/child ratio to be maintained at all times and sufficient individuals must be physically present with the children in accordance with section 3301.56 of the Revised Code.

Findings: During the inspection, sufficient individuals were not physically present with children to meet staff/child ratio.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Domain: **01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Montessori maximum group size

Code: This rule requires an accredited program that uses the Montessori method endorsed by the American Montessori society (www.amshq.org) or the association Montessori international (www.montessori-ami.org) as its primary method of instruction may combine preschool children of ages three to five years of age with children enrolled in kindergarten. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in division (B)(2) of section?3301.56?of the Revised Code, when such age groups are combined, the maximum number of children per preschool staff member shall be twelve and the maximum group size shall be twenty-four children.

Findings: During the inspection, an accredited Montessori program with mixed preschool and kindergarten children exceeded the maximum group size of twenty-four children.

During the inspection, the maximum group size per staff member exceeded requirements for the youngest child in a mixed age group class.

During the inspection, a preschool and school age group that was combined at the beginning of the day or the end of the day exceeded twelve children.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: **02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5180-37:05 Annual fire inspection

Code: This rule requires that the program provide written documentation of an annual fire inspection and approval of the facility. Annually means within twelve calendar months of the previous fire inspection.

Findings: During the inspection, documentation of a current fire inspection was not on file.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Orientation training

Code: This rule requires any individual who may have an assigned schedule with a preschool child (or group) or may be used to count in ratio is obligated to have an orientation training as prescribed by the department completed within thirty days of the individuals start date.

Findings: During the inspection and review of staff files, individuals used in ratio did not have documentation of the required orientation training prescribed by the department completed within thirty days of the start date.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Non-guilty non-conviction statement

Code: This rule requires any individual who may have an assigned schedule with a preschool child (or group) or may be used to count in ratio is obligated to have a signed non-guilty non-conviction statement on a prescribed form signed annually.

Findings: During the inspection and review of staff files, individuals used in ratio did not have a non-guilty non-conviction statement signed annually.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Individuals used in ratio

Code: This rule requires any individual who may have an assigned schedule with a preschool child (or group) or may be used to count in the ratio is obligated to have required documentation on file.

Findings: During the inspection and a review of staff files, individuals used in ratio did not have documentation to meet requirements.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Licensed staff in-service requirement

Code: This rule requires preschool staff members licensed by the department to complete ten annual clock hours, which may be part of the professional development plan in accordance with Chapter 3301-24 of the Administrative Code. Annual completion refers to the school year, from July first to June thirtieth.

Findings: During the inspection and review of staff files, preschool staff licensed by the department did not have evidence of ten in-service hours annually.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:11 Children observed for communicable disease upon

Code: This rule requires a person trained to recognize the common signs of communicable disease or other illness to observe each child daily as they enter a group.

Findings: During the inspection, a person trained to recognize the common signs of communicable disease or other illness did not observe each child daily as they entered a group.

During the inspection and review of staff files, at least one person onsite does not have a current course on the recognition of common signs of communicable disease from an approved provider.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff Medical statement

Code: This rule requires any individual who may have an assigned schedule with a preschool child (or group) or may be used to count in ratio is obligated to have evidence of a signed medical statement on or before the first day of employment.

Findings: During the inspection and review of staff files, individuals used to count in ratio did not have evidence of a signed medical statement on or before the first day of employment.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/22/2026

Rules in Compliance/Not Verified	
Rule: 5180-37:03 Written philosophy and goals	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Parent handbook	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:03 Developmental progress and parent teacher conferences	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:03 Written curriculum adopted and aligned	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Written compliance report posted	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Program operation	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff Non-Discrimination	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:03 Daily Schedule	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:03 Nap/Rest-Time Requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Director onsite fifty percent of operating hours	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff supervision	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Director qualifications	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Director responsibilities	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Administrator rules training	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Lead teacher assigned	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Nontax nonpublic preschool teacher requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Annual in-service requirements	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff minimum requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Required background checks	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Background check updates	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Second adult requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Ratio and Group size: General education or co-taught classroom	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Nap/rest time ratio requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Approved trainer requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Outdoor play space	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Center cleaning and sanitizing	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Phone available	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Safe play space available	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Play space free of hazards	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Exclusive use of preschool space	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Safe and sanitary equipment and materials	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Square footage and maximum capacity	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Children supervised during travel times	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Public access areas	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Electrical outlets	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:05 Smoking prohibited	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Adequate first-aid supplies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Materials selected independently	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Cleaning and sanitizing supplies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Indoor space minimum requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Safe handling, storage, and disposal of bio-contaminants	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Cot or Mat requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5108-37:06 Furniture and equipment	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Governing body written policies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Program policies and procedures	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Appropriate policies for children	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Staff policies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Emergency numbers posting	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Developmentally appropriate program planning	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Policies address children's cumulative records	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Admission procedures	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Health and safety procedures	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Organized school health services	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Emergency procedure postings and records	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:07 Immunization records and emergency medical authorization requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Parent Roster	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Behavior management/discipline policy requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Communicable Disease Policy requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Transportation and field trip policies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Unlimited parent access	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Parent Roster permission	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Medical and dental emergency procedure posting	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 List of allergies and treatment	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 First-aid Facilities and Materials	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Handwashing and disposable towels or air hand dryer available	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Supervising grounds, play areas, and other facilities	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Written medication policy requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Written procedures for incident and injury reporting	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Parent permission for topical products	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Immunization records	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 List of prescription or nonprescription medications, food supplements, modified diets, or fluoride supplements	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37-08 List of chronic physical problems and history of hospitalization	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 List of child diseases	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Names and telephone numbers of physician and dentist	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Emergency medical and dental care transportation	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Daily attendance records	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Injury report	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Cumulative record requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Child medical signed by licensed physician	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Medication authorization	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Food license	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Menus	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Choice of two required food groups for snack	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Modified diet accommodations	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Snack service time	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Nutritious snack choices provided to parents	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Screen time during meal or snack time	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Snack nutritional requirements	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:09 Snacks and meals to children attending four or more hours	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable disease chart posted	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Reporting abuse policy	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable disease policy: Training staff	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Staff responsibility for discipline	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Exposure to a communicable disease	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Discipline restrictions	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Readmitting an ill child	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Ill child isolation requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Policy regarding providing food when parent does not provide it	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Parent notification of illness	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:12 Soiled diapers storage/laundering	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Discipline policy ensures well being of individuals	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Written discipline policy requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Staff receive discipline policy	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Symptoms of illness for isolation and discharge	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Discipline policy/ behavior management communication and written consent to parent	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Symptoms of illness for isolation	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Mildly ill child	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:12 Diapering requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:12 Diaper storage	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:08 Child medical statement	*Compliant*