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 Clark Early Learning Center	Program Number 1000018311	Program Type Pre School
Address 1500 W Jefferson St Springfield OH 45506		County CLARK

Organization Name:	Org IRN:	Site IRN:
Springfield City School District	044818	011711

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Monitor	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Method On-site Inspection	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 04/28/2026	Begin Time 8:30 AM	End Time 3:20 PM	Reviewer: DIANE GRIGGS
Inspection Date 04/28/2026	Begin Time 8:30 AM	End Time 3:20 PM	Reviewer: Andrea Clark
Inspection Date 04/28/2026	Begin Time 8:30 AM	End Time 3:20 PM	Reviewer: Sarena Powhida
Inspection Date 04/28/2026	Begin Time 8:30 AM	End Time 3:20 PM	Reviewer: Rebecca Worrell

Summary of Findings			
No. Requirements Verified 40	No. Requirements with Non-compliances 1		No. Requirements Compliant 2
No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk Findings 1	No. Other Non-compliance Findings 0	No. Technical Assistance Provided 0

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection				
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Compliance**	**Comment**
Room 27	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 16	Out of Compliance	Co teacher went to restroom leaving other teacher alone in the room with 16 children.

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.

Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180-37:04 Ratio and Group size: General education or co-taught classroom

Requirement: This rule requires children 4 years and 5 years not in kindergarten must have a staff/child ratio of 1:14.

Finding: During the inspection, the staff/child ratio in a general education or co-taught classroom was not maintained for a group including children four and five years old, not in kindergarten.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 06/12/2026

Other Non-Compliances

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

No other non-compliances were observed during this inspection

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.

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
5180-37:03 Written curriculum adopted and aligned	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:03 Developmental progress and parent teacher conferences	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Program amendment submitted	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Parent handbook	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:03 Written philosophy and goals	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-32:11 Substantiated finding of abuse or neglect	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Medication was dispensed to the wrong child or the wrong dosage was administered	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Child is left unattended on a field trip or in a vehicle	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Written compliance report posted	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Program failed to report suspected abuse, neglect, or endangerment	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Employee refused to be fingerprinted and remains employed or person remains employed when not eligible for employment	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Swimming activity supervision/ratio/location violation	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Serious risk incident/injury reporting	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 A child was left unattended inside or outside the facility	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-02 Falsified information was submitted to the department	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Children are not protected from harm resulting in a serious incident or injury	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Program used a prohibited disciplinary technique	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 The department was denied access to conduct a compliance review	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Weapons or ammunition are on the premises without prior approval	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Preschool information reported in Education Management Information System	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180-37:02 Substantiated public children's services agency finding of abuse or neglect	Not Applicable

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Lead teacher assigned	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 Preschool application submission	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:02 OCLQS not maintained	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:03 Daily Schedule	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:03 Nap/Rest-Time Requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Staff Non-Discrimination	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Director onsite fifty percent of operating hours	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Program operation	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Staff supervision	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Director qualifications	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Director responsibilities	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Individuals used in ratio	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Administrator rules training	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Public preschool general education teacher requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Special education teacher requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Nontax nonpublic preschool teacher requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Orientation training	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Staff minimum requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Staff with required health and safety trainings	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Non-guilty non-conviction statement	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Required background checks	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Staff Medical statement	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Annual in-service requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Substitute requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Background check updates	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Montessori maximum group size	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Preschool/school age mixed group	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Substitute providing IEP services	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Second adult requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Ratio and Group size: Special education classroom	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Licensed staff in-service requirement	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Mixed age group size	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Approved trainer requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Staff/child ratio maintained at all times	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Nap/rest time ratio requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Intervention specialist caseload	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Ratio and Group size: Integrated classroom	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Preschool special education law requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Part-time staff in-service requirement	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Outdoor play space	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Safe play space available	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Phone available	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Lifeguard or certified safety instructor	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Annual fire inspection	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Crib separated from play space	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Ratio maintained at all times	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Room divided by barrier	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Center cleaning and sanitizing	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Play space free of hazards	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Infant and toddler space	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Public access areas	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Safe handling, storage, and disposal of bio-contaminants	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Cleaning and sanitizing supplies	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Children supervised during travel times	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Electrical outlets	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Smoking prohibited	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Cot or Mat requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Infant and non-ambulatory child approved rooms	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Square footage and maximum capacity	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Swimming and wading pools	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Exclusive use of preschool space	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:05 Indoor space minimum requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Space heaters	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Materials selected independently	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Adequate first-aid supplies	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Electrical fans	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Safe and sanitary equipment and materials	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Potty chair requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Protective Mats	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5108-37:06 Furniture and equipment	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Crib safety standards	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5108-37:06 Crib mattress protection	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Crib mattress space	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Crib or cot assignment	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Infant crib requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Crib Spacing	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:06 Infant sleeping placement	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Governing body written policies	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Program policies and procedures	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Appropriate policies for children	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Staff policies	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Organized school health services	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Policies address children's cumulative records	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Admission procedures	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Developmentally appropriate program planning	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Health and safety procedures	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Parent Roster permission	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Emergency procedure postings and records	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Parent Roster	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Immunization records and emergency medical authorization requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Behavior management/discipline policy requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Communicable Disease Policy requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Transportation and field trip policies	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Safe sleep placement	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Unlimited parent access	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Offsite swimming policy requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Safe sleep policy	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180-37:07 Staff ratio during swimming and water play activities	Not Applicable

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Emergency numbers posting	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Medical and dental emergency procedure posting	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Swimming permission	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:04 Fluoride supplements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 First-aid Facilities and Materials	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Handwashing and disposable towels or air hand dryer available	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Supervising grounds, play areas, and other facilities	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Swimming policy	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Written medication policy requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Written procedures for incident and injury reporting	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:07 Parent permission for topical products	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 List of allergies and treatment	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 Immunization records	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 List of prescription or nonprescription medications, food supplements, modified diets, or fluoride supplements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 Daily attendance records	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 List of chronic physical problems and history of hospitalization	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 List of child diseases	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 Names and telephone numbers of physician and dentist	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180-37-08 Emergency medical and dental care transportation	Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 Injury report	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 Cumulative record requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 Child medical signed by licensed physician	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-08 Medication authorization	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Snack service time	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Food license	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Infant food or formula requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Menus	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Choice of two required food groups for snack	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Modified diet accommodations	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Nutritious snack choices provided to parents	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Screen time during meal or snack time	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Snack nutritional requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Snacks and meals to children attending four or more hours	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:10 Discipline restrictions	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:10 Staff receive discipline policy	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Symptoms of illness for isolation	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:10 Written discipline policy requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 infant Feeding Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Use of powdered milk	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180-37:10 Discipline policy/ behavior management communication and written consent to parent	Not Verified

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:09 Policy regarding providing food when parent does not provide it	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:10 Staff responsibility for discipline	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Exposure to a communicable disease	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:10 Discipline policy ensures well being of individuals	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:10 Reporting abuse policy	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Parent notification of illness	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Symptoms of illness for isolation and discharge	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:12 Soiled diapers storage/laundering	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Ill child isolation requirements	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180-37:11 Communicable disease chart posted	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Readmitting an ill child	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Mildly ill child	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Communicable disease policy: Training staff	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:11 Children observed for communicable disease upon	Not Verified	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:12 Diapering requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:12 Diaper storage	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37:08 Child medical statement	Not Verified	