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Center Complaint Inspection Summary 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 SMART START ACADEMY CHILD CARE & LEARNING CENTER II	Program Number 2170012902	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 444 W HARDING RD SPRINGFIELD OH 45504		County CLARK

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) SUSANNE ZIMMERER	Inspection Day 02/09/2024	Begin Time 9:30 AM	End Time 10:30 AM
Reviewer(s) Bradie McAfee	Inspection Day 02/09/2024	Begin Time 9:30 AM	End Time 10:30 AM

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
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Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Toddler Left and Right	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 14	
Infant	0 to < 12 months	2 to 10	
Preschool 3	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 10	
Preschool 4	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 12	

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Complaint Allegations

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.

Domain:02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment
Code: The program is required to follow the cleaning schedule for equipment.

Allegation: The program did not provide a clean and healthy environment.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program was not providing a clean and healthy environment, furniture, materials and equipment as required by Appendix A, as noted in numbers 14, 22, 23 and 24 below:

1. Item(s) soiled with blood or bodily fluids were not cleaned/sanitized immediately.
2. Blankets/sheets were not cleaned weekly, when soiled, or before use by another child.
3. Children's individual blankets and belongings were stored in an unsanitary manner.
4. Bottles, bottle caps, nipples and other equipment used for bottle feeding were not cleaned and sanitized in a dishwasher or by washing, rinsing, and boiling for one minute.
5. Carpets were not vacuumed weekly or cleaned when soiled.
6. Changing table/pad was not sanitized after each use or cleaned when visibly soiled.
7. Reusable cloths were not being washed daily or when visibly soiled.
8. Cots/Pads/Mats were not cleaned and sanitized before assigning to a different child, when used by a sick child, when soiled or at least every three months.
9. Cribs were not cleaned and sanitized monthly, or when soiled, or before use by another child.
10. Diaper Receptables were not cleaned and sanitized daily or more frequently as needed to eliminate odor.
11. Dishes/Cups/Silverware were not cleaned and sanitized after each use.
12. Water Containers were not labeled with the child's name, or were not cleaned and sanitized before use again on another day.
13. Dividers were not cleaned when visibly soiled.
14. Dress up clothes and hats (dramatic play) were not cleaned monthly or when soiled.
15. Floors were not cleaned weekly or when soiled.
16. The food prep area, including sinks, were not cleaned before and after preparing food (including bottle preparation) or between preparing raw or cooked food.
17. Potty chairs were not cleaned after each use, rinsed with water, cleaned and sanitized or contents were not emptied into a toilet.
18. Food tables, highchair trays were not cleaned before and after each use.
19. Tables used for play were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized daily.
20. Toilet bowls were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized weekly.
21. Toilet seat(s), handle(s) and hand washing sink(s) were not cleaned when visibly soiled or sanitized daily.
22. Mouthed toys were not cleaned and sanitized after each child's use.
23. Toys, other than those mouthed by children, were not cleaned monthly or when visibly soiled.
24. Washable furniture, including fabrics on infant equipment, were not cleaned weekly or when soiled.
25. Upholstered furniture was not steam cleaned when soiled.
26. Slip covers were not washed at least every six months or when soiled.
27. Wastebaskets/rinse buckets, including lids, were not being emptied daily or cleaned and sanitized when visibly soiled.
28. The manufacturer's directions for the cleaning product were not followed.
29. The solution used for sanitizing was not a commercial product registered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a sanitizer.
30. Other:

Furniture, materials and equipment must be maintained according to the cleaning and sanitizing schedule in Appendix A to this rule. Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. A written response for this rule noncompliance is not required at this time.

Risk Level: Low

Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

No Additional Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

No Additional Moderate Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain:02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-12-12 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: 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 as noted in number 13 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. Employee(s) purse(s).
7. Diaper bags.
8. Television not securely anchored.
9. Small or lightweight pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.
10. Smoke detector needing batteries replaced.
11. An area rug did not have a nonskid backing.
12. An area rug presented a tripping hazard.
13. A floor surface that was unsafe in that the planks are lifting and causing a tripping hazard.
14. No platform was provided for the sink or toilet in the [ ] classroom.
15. The platform provided for the sink or toilet in the [ ] classroom was not sturdy.
16. The platform provided for the sink or toilet in the [ ] classroom posed a safety hazard in that [ ].
17. Telephone cords.
18. Staff member stepped over a barrier/gate while holding a child.
19. Emergency exits were blocked by the following classroom furniture: [ ].
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 [ ].

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: 03/13/2024

Domain:10 Written Policies & Procedures

Rule: 5101:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures
Code: The program's handbook is required to be available at the program and must be given to all parents and employees.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that written policies and procedures listed in appendix B of this rule, or revisions, were not provided as noted in numbers 1 and 2 below:

1. A copy of the written policies and procedures was not given to at least one parent.
2. A copy of the written policies and procedures was not given to at least one employee.
3. The written policies and procedures were not available at the program.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 03/13/2024