Department of Education
Department of Job and Family Services

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 Amanda Bragg/First Steps Family Childcare	Program Number 2170016151	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 4101 30th st ne Canton OH 44705		County STARK

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Compliance	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 01/10/2024	Begin Time 10:25 AM	End Time 11:25 AM
Reviewer: Leah Casenhiser		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
68	10	0	1	10

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)		3	0	3
Young Toddler		1	0	1
Total Under 2 Years	3	4	0	4
Older Toddler		1	0	1
Preschool		3	0	3
School Age		0	0	0
Total Capacity/Enrollment	6	4	0	8

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Amanda Bragg	Mixed Age Group	1 to 5	

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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: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5101:2-13-11 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 10 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. The outdoor play space does not have a continuous fence, natural barrier or combination of both.

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.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5101:2-13-02 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 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.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5101:2-13-18 Attendance
Code: The program is required to maintain a record of the arrival and departure of each child. The program is also required to retain the original attendance record at the program for a period of one year.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for keeping an attendance record as listed in number 7 below:

1. No attendance record was being maintained.
2. The attendance record was not being consistently completed.
3. The record did not include the name of at least one child.
4. The record did not include the birth date of at least one child.
5. The record did not include the assigned group.
6. The record did not include the child's weekly schedule.

7. The record did not include the time (hours and minutes) of each child's arrival and departure to the program, including transportation by the program.
8. The original attendance record was not kept at the program for a period of one year.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5101:2-13-12 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 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 [ ].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5101:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan
Code: The program is required to post the fire and weather alert plan with a diagram.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the following information was not posted for item numbers 1 & 2 below:

1. Fire alert plan, including a diagram indicating at least 2 evacuation routes.
2. Weather alert plan was missing details for [ ].
3. Weather alert plan was missing a diagram indicating evacuation routes.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks
Code: The program is required to safely store food.

Findings: During this inspection, it was determined that food was not stored in a safe manner as noted in number 1 below:
1. The refrigerator did not maintain a temperature of 40 degrees Fahrenheit or below;
2. Milk was not refrigerated for approximately ( ) minutes after being served;
3. Food was observed thawing on the counter;
4. Spoiled food was served to children.
5. Other [ ].
Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-13-16 Emergency Drills
Code: The program is required to complete and document the required drills.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the required drills were not completed for item numbers 1, 2 & 3 below:

1. Monthly fire drills
2. Monthly weather emergency drills (March through September)
3. Emergency/lockdown drills in each quarter of the calendar year

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-13-16 Disaster Plan
Code: The program is required to have a completed written disaster plan.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program's written disaster plan did not meet the requirement or was missing the information in number 18 below:
Procedures:
1. The written disaster plan had not been completed
2. The plan was not provided to all child care staff and employees
3. Weather emergencies and natural disasters which include severe thunderstorms, tornadoes, flash flooding, major snowfall, blizzards, ice storms or earthquakes
4. Emergency outdoor and indoor lockdown or evacuation due to threats of violence which includes active shooter, bioterrorism or terrorism
5. Emergency or disaster evacuations due to hazardous materials and spills, gas leaks or bomb threats.
6. Outbreaks, epidemics or other infectious disease emergencies
7. Loss of power, water, or heat
8. Other threatening situations that may pose a health or safety hazard to the children in the program
Details:
9. Shelter in place or evacuation, how the program will care for and account for the children until they can be reunited with the parent
10. Assisting infants and children with special needs and/or health conditions
11. Emergency contact information for parents and the program
12. Procedures for notifying and communicating with parents regarding the location of the children if evacuated
13. Procedures for communicating with parents during loss of communications, no phone or internet service available
14. The location of supplies and procedures for gathering necessary supplies for staff and children if required to shelter in place
15. What to do if a disaster occurs during the transport of children or when on a field trip or routine trip
16. Making the plan available to all child care staff members and employees
17. Training of staff or reassignment of staff duties as appropriate
18. Updating the plan on a yearly basis
19. Contact with local emergency management officials

Add the missing information to the disaster plan. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes the missing information, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5101:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks
Code: The program is required to have written instructions from a license physician if administering a medical food or an entire food group is eliminated.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that written instructions from a licensed physician were not on file, as required, for a specialized diet as noted in number(s) 2 below:

1. A medical food was administered to a child.
2. An entire good group was eliminated for a child.

Review the attached Children's Records Review form for the names of children who do not have this form on file. Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-13-07 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 numbers 1 & 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: []
Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 02/09/2024

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5101:2-13-15 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) 2 & 8 below:

1. No medical was on file for at least one child
2. Medical 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 was 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 [ ]

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

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Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5101:2-13-15 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) 2, 6, 8, & 13 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
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 [ ]

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department 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

5101:2-13-02 License Visible	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-02 Voluntary Temporary Closure	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-02 Provider Medical	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-04 Building Requirements for Type B Homes	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-04 Fire Safety for Type B Homes	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-04 Flammable and Combustible Materials in a Type B Home	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-04 Heaters in a Type B Home	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-08 Employee Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-08 Child Care Staff Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5101:2-13-08 Whistle Blower	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-09 Background Checks	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-10 Health Training	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-10 Professional Development	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-11 Outdoor Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-11 Fall Zone	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-13 Handwashing	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-13 Smoke Free	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-13 Toothbrushing	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-14 Requirements for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-14 Ratio and Supervision for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-14 Driver Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-14 Vehicle Inspections	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-14 Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-15 Health Conditions	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-15 Child Records Retention and Confidentiality	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-16 First Aid Kit/Standard Precautions	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-16 Communicable Diseases	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-16 Incident/Injury	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-19 Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-19 School Age Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-20 Sleep and Nap Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-20 Crib and Playpen Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-21 Sanitary Environment and Hygiene	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-22 Fluid Milk	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-22 Food Handling	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-23 Diapering	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-24 Parent Permission for Swimming	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-25 Medication Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-07 Provider Responsibilities	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-18 Group Size and Ratios	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13 Written Policies and Procedures	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-12 Carbon Monoxide Detectors - Type B Only	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-11 Indoor Space	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-17 Programming	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-24 On-site Pools	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-12 Pets	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-24 Swimming Sites	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	