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 | | |
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| Program Name<br>Little Buckeye Learning Center-North Olmsted | Program Number<br>2190020893 | Program Type<br>Child Care Center |
| Address<br>23789 Lorain Road North Olmsted<br>OH<br>44070 | | County<br>CUYAHOGA |

| Inspection Information | | | |
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| Inspection Type<br>Annual | Inspection Scope<br>Full | Inspection Method<br>On-site Inspection | Inspection Notice<br>Unannounced |
| Inspection Date<br>07/08/2026 | Begin Time<br>10:10 AM | End Time<br>3:30 PM | Reviewer:<br>Kathryn Noftz |

| Summary of Findings | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. Requirements Verified<br>57 | No. Requirements with Non-compliances<br>8 | | No. Requirements Compliant<br>45 |
| No. Serious Risk<br>0 | No. Moderate Risk Findings<br>2 | No. Other Non-compliance Findings<br>6 | No. Technical Assistance Provided<br>3 |

| 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) | | 9 | 1 | 10 |
| Young Toddler | | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| **Total Under 2 ½ Years** | 32 | 15 | 1 | 16 |
| Older Toddler | | 13 | 0 | 13 |
| Preschool | | 27 | 2 | 29 |
| School Age | | 9 | 0 | 9 |
| **Total Capacity/Enrollment** | 86 | 49 | 2 | 67 |

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| Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection | | | | |
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| **Group** | **Age Group/Range** | **Ratio Observed** | **Compliance** | **Comment** |
| Toddler 2 | 30 months to < 36 months | 2 to 10 | In Compliance | 1020am |
| Toddler 2 | 30 months to < 36 months | 2 to 10 | In Compliance | 1130am-Lunch |
| Toddler 2 | 30 months to < 36 months | 2 to 9 | In Compliance | 3pm |
| Prek | 4 years to < 5 years | 1 to 13 | In Compliance | 1130am-Lunch |
| Prek | 4 years to < 5 years | 1 to 13 | In Compliance | 1120am-Playground |
| Prek | 4 years to < 5 years | 1 to 13 | In Compliance | 1020am |
| Prek | 4 years to < 5 years | 1 to 11 | In Compliance | 3pm |
| Infant | 0 to < 12 months | 2 to 8 | In Compliance | 1020am |
| Infant | 0 to < 12 months | 2 to 8 | In Compliance | 1130am |
| Infant | 0 to < 12 months | 2 to 7 | In Compliance | 3pm |
| Toddler 1 | 18 months to < 30 months | 1 to 6 | In Compliance | 1130am- Lunch |
| Toddler 1 | 18 months to < 30 months | 1 to 6 | In Compliance | 1020am |
| Toddler 1 | 18 months to < 30 months | 1 to 6 | In Compliance | 3pm |
| Preschool | 3 years to < 4 years | 1 to 12 | In Compliance | 1020am |
| Preschool | 3 years to < 4 years | 1 to 11 | In Compliance | 1130am- Lunch |
| Preschool | 3 years to < 4 years | 2 to 11 | In Compliance | 3pm- PS/School age combined |
| School age | School-Age to < 11 years | 1 to 7 | In Compliance | 1020am |
| School age | School-Age to < 11 years | 1 to 7 | In Compliance | 1130am- Lunch |

**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: 5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance

Requirement: The program staff shall use developmentally appropriate techniques when managing children's behavior. Corporal punishment is prohibited, as well as any cruel, harsh, unusual or extreme techniques.

Finding:  During the inspection, it was determined that a child care staff member had used prohibited techniques as a means to control or discipline children.

The following prohibited technique was observed:  the teacher was observed guiding/holding a child by their wrist, taking toys away from children in a harsh manner and speaking harshly.

Child-care staff members and other employees must always use appropriate guidance and management methods with children. 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: 08/14/2026

**Domain**: **09 Children's Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Health Care Plans

Requirement: The program is required to have a completed DCY 01236 or equivalent form on file at the program for any child having a health condition and must implement and/or follow instructions on the plan. The program is required to have staff trained to perform the procedures on the form present at the program when the child requiring the procedure is onsite. Only staff who have been trained shall be permitted to perform the procedures listed on the form.

Finding: In review of the children's records, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for caring for at least one child, indicated on the Children's Records Review, with a condition that requires a DCY 01236 ""Health Care Plan Documentation & Permission to Administer Medication"" or equivalent form.

The following was observed: No care plan

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the completed DCY 01236 or equivalent form, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/24/2026

## Other Non-Compliances

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

**Domain**: **00 License & Approvals**

Rule: 5180:2-12-02 Current Information

Requirement: The rule requires the program to keep their information current in the Ohio statewide licensing system.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that information was not up to date in the Ohio statewide licensing system.

The following information was not current: services information was not entered into the system.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/14/2026

**Domain**: **02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**

Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment

Requirement: The program is required to use equipment, that is safe and hazard free, according to the manufacturer's guidelines. Fans, air conditioners, heat pumps, and space heaters must be inaccessible to children. The program is required to refrain from using trampolines, ball pits and inflatable equipment intended for climbing and bouncing, including but not limited to slides and bounce houses.

Finding: During the inspection, equipment was determined to be unsafe, hazardous to children, or in need of repair.

The following was observed: paint was chipping in the preschool room

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/14/2026

**Domain**: **04 Indoor/Outdoor Space**

Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones

Requirement: The program is required to provide fall zones around equipment to prevent injury if a child were to fall.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the fall zone under and around equipment designated for climbing, swinging, balancing and sliding did not meet the requirements.

The following was observed: the climber/slide was not 6 ft from a fence.

The program is required to provide adequate fall zones under and around outdoor play equipment at all times. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/14/2026

**Domain**: **07 Diapering & Infant Care**

Rule: 5180:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation

Requirement: The program staff is required to label and store bottles with breast milk following the requirements in rule.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that breast milk provided by the parent was not stored appropriately.

The following was observed: Breast milk did not include the date expressed.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/21/2026

**Domain**: **10 Written Policies & Procedures**

Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures

Requirement: The program's policies and procedures are required to include all topics outlined in rule.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program's written policies and procedures provided to the parents/guardians and employees was missing an item(s).

The following was observed as missing: Usage of emergency medical devices and emergency medications, including but not limited to Automated External Defibrillators (AED) and Naloxone (if applicable)

Revise the program's written policies and procedures to include the missing information. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes the revised written policies and procedures, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/14/2026

**Domain**: **10 Written Policies & Procedures**

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan

Requirement: The program is required to have an emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP).

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined the program's emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP) did not meet the requirement or was missing the information.

The following was observed as missing:

1. Medical or dental emergencies, including emergency transportation
2. Emergency numbers for medical, dental, and transport-related emergencies, in addition to 911
3. Assisting Toddlers

Make the necessary revisions to the EPRP.  Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes the revised information, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/28/2026

**Domain**: **01 Ratio & Supervision**
Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance
Requirement:The program staff shall use developmentally appropriate techniques when managing children's behavior. Corporal punishment is prohibited, as well as any cruel, harsh, unusual or extreme techniques.
Findings:During the inspection, it was determined that a child care staff member had used prohibited techniques as a means to control or discipline children.
The following prohibited technique was observed:  the teacher was observed guiding/holding a child by their wrist, taking toys away from children in a harsh manner and speaking harshly.

Child-care staff members and other employees must always use appropriate guidance and management methods with children. 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: 08/14/2026

**Domain**: **02 Safe & Sanitary Environment**
Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment
Requirement:The program is required to use equipment, that is safe and hazard free, according to the manufacturer's guidelines.  Fans, air conditioners, heat pumps, and space heaters must be inaccessible to children. The program is required to refrain from using trampolines, ball pits and inflatable equipment intended for climbing and bouncing, including but not limited to slides and bounce houses.
Findings:During the inspection, equipment was determined to be unsafe, hazardous to children, or in need of repair.
The following was observed: paint was chipping in the preschool room
Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.
Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/14/2026

**Domain**: **04 Indoor/Outdoor Space**
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones
Requirement:The program is required to provide fall zones around equipment to prevent injury if a child were to fall.
Findings:During the inspection, it was determined the fall zone under and around equipment designated for climbing, swinging, balancing and sliding did not meet the requirements.

The following was observed: the climber/slide was not 6 ft from a fence.

The program is required to provide adequate fall zones under and around outdoor play equipment at all times. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.
Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/14/2026

**Domain**: **07 Diapering & Infant Care**
Rule: 5180:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation
Requirement:The program staff is required to label and store bottles with breast milk following the requirements in rule.
Findings:During the inspection, it was determined that breast milk provided by the parent was not stored appropriately.
The following was observed: Breast milk did not include the date expressed.

Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.
Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/21/2026

**Domain**: **09 Children's Files**
Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Health Care Plans
Requirement:The program is required to have a completed DCY 01236 or equivalent form on file at the program for any child having a health condition and must implement and/or follow instructions on the plan. The program is required to have staff trained to perform the procedures on the form present at the program when the child requiring the procedure is onsite. Only staff who have been trained shall be permitted to perform the procedures listed on the form.
Findings:In review of the children's records, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for caring for at least one child, indicated on the Children's Records Review, with a condition that requires a DCY 01236 ""Health Care Plan Documentation & Permission to Administer Medication"" or equivalent form.

The following was observed: No care plan

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the completed DCY 01236 or equivalent form, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.
Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/24/2026

**Domain**: **10 Written Policies & Procedures**

Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan
Requirement:The program is required to have an emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP).
Findings:During the inspection, it was determined the program's emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP) did not meet the requirement or was missing the information.

The following was observed as missing:

1. Medical or dental emergencies, including emergency transportation
2. Emergency numbers for medical, dental, and transport-related emergencies, in addition to 911
3. Assisting Toddlers

Make the necessary revisions to the EPRP. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes the revised information, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.
Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/28/2026

**Domain**: **10 Written Policies & Procedures**
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures
Requirement:The program's policies and procedures are required to include all topics outlined in rule.
Findings:During the inspection, it was determined the program's written policies and procedures provided to the parents/guardians and employees was missing an item(s).

The following was observed as missing: Usage of emergency medical devices and emergency medications, including but not limited to Automated External Defibrillators (AED) and Naloxone (if applicable)

Revise the program's written policies and procedures to include the missing information. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes the revised written policies and procedures, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.
Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/14/2026

## 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.

**Domain: 06 Program Information**

Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to have all vehicles used to transport children inspected annually by an ASE certified mechanic, FMCSA safety inspector or the Ohio State Highway Patrol, and correct all repairs that are listed on the vehicle inspection report.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the annual vehicle inspection report (DCY 01230) did not contain all the information as required (email and telephone number was missing) Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection

Requirement: The program is required to have staff complete the online staff orientation training. Additionally, the training must be completed before they are permitted to have sole responsibility of children.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the employee's orientation is not complete as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

**Domain: 08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to have all child care staff members complete training in child abuse and neglect recognition and prevention within sixty days of hire. Staff must complete training in first aid and CPR within the first ninety days of hire.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined staff have not completed health and safety training(s) as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

**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 |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-18 License Capacity | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-02 License Visible | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Fire Inspection | Compliant | Documenting Statement: Please Note: Documentation of a fire inspection |

without any uncorrected violations must be secured for the program. Secure a new fire inspection by 1-21-27.

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The food service license was observed posted. Following is the audit number and date of expiration: MJAE-BLHPR9, 3-1-27. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-05 Denial, Revocation and Suspension | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-08 TB Screening and Immunization Record | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements | Compliant | Documenting Statement: The outdoor play area is separated from traffic and other hazards by a fence. |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-15 Child Immunization and Enrollment Records | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-18 Ratio | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-20 Cribs | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-18 Group Size | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-19 Supervision | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-22 Meal Preparation and Nutritional Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-21 Evening and Overnight Care | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-23 Infant Daily Care | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
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| 5180:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-24 Swimming and Water Safety Requirements | Not Applicable | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-25 Medication Administration | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Postings | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Drills | Compliant | |

| Rule | Status | Documenting Statement(s), If applicable |
|---|---|---|
| 5180:2-12-21 Mobile Preschools | Not Applicable | |