Department of Education
Department of Job and Family Services

Family Child Care 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 Stepping Stars Learning Place LLC	Program Number 2200022153	Program Type FCC - Type A Home
Address 342 Garfield Lima OH 45805		County ALLEN

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) Bridget Rex	Inspection Day 08/01/2024	Begin Time 10:55 AM	End Time 11:41 AM
Reviewer(s) Bridget Rex	Inspection Day 08/01/2024	Begin Time 9:10 AM	End Time 9:25 AM

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified 5	No. Rules with Non-compliances 2	No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk 1	No. Low Risk 1

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Mixed Age Group	Mixed Age Group	1 to 3	

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.

No Allegations were substantiated during this inspection.

Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

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

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5101:2-13-09 Background Checks
Code: The program is required to receive a preliminary approval from ODJFS prior to allowing an individual to engage in assigned duties or be near children.

Findings: In review of the staff records, it was determined that background checks did not meet the requirements of the rule for the person(s) listed on the Employee Record Chart as noted in number(s) 1 & 3 below:

1. The request for a background check for child care was not submitted in the OPR.
2. The fingerprints were not submitted electronically according to the process established by BCI.
3. The individual(s) had engaged in assigned duties or were near children and preliminary approval from ODJFS was not on file.
4. Background checks were not updated every five years.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the JFS 01176, or a copy of the preliminary approval or a statement that the individual(s) are no longer engaged in assigned duties and are not near children until the preliminary approval has been received, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/31/2024

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5101:2-13-14 Requirements for Field and Routine Trips
Code: The program is required to obtain written parental permission before leaving the premises and retain the forms for at least one year from the date of the trip. Routine trip permission forms must be updated annually.

Findings: In review of the program's records, it was determined that requirements for written permission from the parent/guardian for a field trip or routine trip were not met as listed in number(s) 1 below:

1. Written parental permission was not secured for field trips and/or routine trips off the premises.
2. The written permission was missing the child's name.
3. The written permission was missing the date(s) of the trip(s) (field trips only).
4. The written permission was missing the destination(s) of the trip(s).
5. The written permission was missing the departure and return time(s) of the trip(s) (field trips only).
6. The written permission was missing the signature of the parent.
7. The written permission was missing the date on which the permission was signed.
8. The written permission was missing a statement notifying parents how their child will be transported.
9. Permission forms for routine trips were not being updated annually.
10. Written parental permission forms for field trips and/or routine trips were not being maintained on file for at least one year from the date of the trip.
11. Other: [ ].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/31/2024