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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 The Gardner School	Program Number 2220026066	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 3989 North Hampton Drive Powell OH 43065		County DELAWARE

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) Bradie McAfee	Inspection Day 05/13/2026	Begin Time 12:30 PM	End Time 2:00 PM

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**
Fascination C	0 to < 12 months	2 to 7	Arrival 12:30
Kindergarten Enrichment	School-Age to < 11 years	3 to 20	Arrival 12:30
Fascination B	0 to < 12 months	1 to 5	Arrival 12:30
Fascination A	0 to < 12 months	1 to 5	Arrival 12:30
Discovery A	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 11	Arrival 12:30
Discovery B	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 11	Arrival 12:30
Discovery C	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 13	Arrival 12:30
Acceleration A	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 13	Arrival 12:30
Imagination A	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 17	
Enchantment A	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 18	Arrival 12:30
Enchantment B	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 12	Arrival 12:30
Acceleration B	4 years to < 5 years	2 to 26	Arrival 12:30

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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:00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection
Code: The program is required to refrain from using space that did not receive building approval and from caring for children in spaces not approved for that age group. The program is required to refrain from using a remodeled or modified space before obtaining building approval. The program is required to maintain building occupancy limitations.

Allegation: The program used a space that did not receive building approval and was caring for children in spaces not approved for that age group. The program is required to refrain from using a remodeled or modified space before obtaining building approval. The program is required to maintain building occupancy limitations.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program was using space for child care in a manner that was not approved by the Ohio Department of Commerce or local certified building authority as noted in number 6 below:

1. The [ ] room or space was not approved.
2. Children under school age were being cared for in a building only approved for school age.
3. The space had been modified and not yet re-inspected and approved.
4. The [ ] floor, which had not been approved by the building department for child care, was being used.
5. The building limitation had been exceeded. [ ] children were being cared for and the building had been approved for [ ] children.
6. The Discovery A rooms occupancy had been exceeded. 16 children were being cared for in this space that had been approved for 12 children.
7. Care was provided to [ ] children less than two and one-half years of age. This violated the program's building code limitation in that, [ ].

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes building approval for use of this space, a written statement that the building occupancy limitations are being maintained, or a written statement that it is no longer being used, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Risk Level: Moderate

Corrective Action Plan Due: 06/28/2026

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio
Code: The program is required to maintain the appropriate staff to child ratio for each group served.

Allegation: The program did not maintain the appropriate staff to child ratio for each group served.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the complaint inspection, a ratio of 2 child care staff member(s) for 16 but children was determined to have occurred for the Toddler group when the situation in number 2 below occurred:

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1. A child care staff member stepped out of the room.
2. A child care staff member had not arrived at work on time to assist in separating the Toddler groups.
3. Children were present who were not scheduled to be there.
4. A child care staff member was unable to work.
5. A child was injured in that group.
6. A child arrived in the group before a second staff member was scheduled to arrive with the group.
7. Two groups were combined, and the program did not follow the ratio for the youngest child in the group.
8. A child was transitioning to the next older age group, and the program did not follow the ratio for the youngest child in the group.
9. Ratio was doubled for more than two hours while children were napping.
10. Ratio was doubled while children were napping for a group that included at least one infant.
11. Ratio was doubled while children were napping and there were not enough staff members in the building to meet staff/child ratio.
12. Ratio was doubled in the school age group to allow access to the program, however, the program does not serve only school age children.
13. Both child care staff members did not have a working communication device when one staff member left the group to allow access to the school age only program.
14. The child care staff member did not return to the group after allowing access to the school age only program.
15. Other [ ].

Additional child care staff members must be hired or current child care staff members must be rescheduled to maintain compliance. 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.

Risk Level: Moderate

Corrective Action Plan Due: 06/17/2026

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

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Low Risk Non-Compliances

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