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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 The Learning Ladder Childcare	Program Number 2230028293	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 4829 Prosperity Pl Cincinnati OH 45238		County HAMILTON

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Compliance	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Announced
Inspection Date 04/22/2026	Begin Time 10:26 AM	End Time 11:50 AM
Reviewer: Jacob Downard		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
68	10	0	1	9

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)		0	0	0
Young Toddler		0	0	0
Total Under 2 Years	3	0	0	0
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		3	0	3
School Age		7	0	7
Total Capacity/Enrollment	7	10	0	10

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
4/22/26	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 1	10:39 AM- Child watching itsy bitsy spider video with provider in room

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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: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-25 Medication Requirements
Code: The program is required to store medication out of the reach of children.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined medication was in the reach of children in provider bedroom and in the center console area of the vehicle used for transporting kids. Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 05/23/2026

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-13-02 Information in OCLQS
Code: The provider is required to keep their information current in OCLQS.

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Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the information in number 5 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 did not include transportation
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: 05/23/2026

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment
Code: The program is required to have running water below the temperature of 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the water temperature was 130 degrees in the bathroom. This temperature exceeds the requirement of remaining below 120 degrees Fahrenheit. Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 05/23/2026

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-13-17 Programming
Code: The program is required to have a daily schedule posted in a visible place.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the daily schedule did not account for all 24 hours the program was open. Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 05/23/2026

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks
Code: The program is required to post the current menu in a noticeable location that is accessible to parents and note any substitutions at the time of the change.

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Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program's weekly menu did not meet the requirement as noted in number 3 below.

1. The menu was not posted.
2. The posted menu was not in a visible place readily accessible to parents.
3. The menu was not currently dated.
4. The entire menu was substituted.
5. At least one item on menu did not match what was served.
6. The meal or snack served did not match the posted menu.

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

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Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-16 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 in live time for item numbers 2-3 below as children documented as present on drills do not match attendance records at the program.

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: 05/23/2026

Domain: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-16 First Aid Kit/Standard Precautions
Code: The program is required to meet the requirements for first aid kits.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the programs vehicle first aid kit were missing the item(s) or the item(s) were not replaced after use and/or expired listed in numbers 9, 12, 10, 11, 13, 15, and 16 below:

1. One roll of first-aid tape;
2. Individually wrapped sterile gauze;
squares in assorted sizes;
3. Sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes;
4.Tweezers;

5. Gauze rolled bandage;
6. Triangular bandage;
7. Rounded end scissors;
8. Tooth preservation system or fresh chilled liquid milk in which to transport a lost permanent tooth, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where milk is stored if a tooth preservation system is not part of the first aid kit (for programs serving school age children only);
9. A working digital thermometer;
10. Disposable non-latex gloves;
11. A working flashlight;
12. An instant cold pack that has not been activated or ice, including a written reference indicating location of the refrigerator/freezer where the ice is stored if an instant cold pack is not part of the first aid kit;
13. Sealable leak-proof plastic bags in assorted sizes or double bagged plastic bags that can be securely tied for materials soiled with blood or bodily fluids;
14. Pocket mask or face shield, appropriate; for all ages of children in care, for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) administration;
15. Soap or waterless sanitizer (field trip or transporting away from the program only);
16. Bottled water (field trip or transporting away from the program only).

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

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Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5180:2-13-14 Driver Requirements
Code: The program is required to have all drivers be an employee or child care staff member of the program, a public transportation driver, or employed by a contracted transportation service company and retain a copy of all licenses for drivers employed by the program. Only a child care staff member or employee may transport children without the provider present, except parents may transport children for field trips.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the requirements for drivers was not met as listed in number 1 below:

1. The driver(s) noted on the Employee Record Chart used for trips did not have a copy of a current driver's license on file.
2. At least one employee or child care staff member who is responsible for transporting children did not have documentation of completion of the prescribed driver training on file.
3. The driver used to transport children was not an employee or child care staff member of the program, a public transportation driver, or employed by a company contracted to provide transportation service.
4. The driver who was not a child care staff member or employee who is used in accordance with the requirements in rule 5101:2-13-08 transported children without the provider present.

Remove this individual from transporting children until the requirements are met. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-07 Provider Responsibilities
Code: The provider is required to reside at the licensed location, not have additional activities or employment during the program's operating hours, be on-site at the program for at least 75 percent of the program's operating hours, and have hours of availability posted in a noticeable place.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the provider was not meeting the following requirements as noted in number 2 below :

1. The provider no longer resides at the licensed location.
2. The licensed provider has additional activities/employment during operating hours, in that she completes deliveries/doordash as a second job during operating hours.
3. The provider was not on-site for 75 percent of the program's operating hours as required by this rule.
4. The provider did not have hours of availability to meet with parents a noticeable location.

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

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Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 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 numbers 4 and 16 and 17 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

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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. Not on current DCY 8/2025 enrollment form version
17. Child first date at program missing on enrollment for kids

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
5180:2-13-02 Voluntary Temporary Closure	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 License Visible	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Change of Location	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Provider Medical	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Building Requirements for Type B Homes	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

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5180:2-13-04 Fire Safety for Type B Homes	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Flammable and Combustible Materials in a Type B Home	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Heaters in a Type B Home	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Staff Records	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13 Written Policies and Procedures	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Type B Provider - Foster Parent	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Employee Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Child Care Staff Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Whistle Blower	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-09 Background Checks	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-10 Health Training	Compliant	

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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-10 Professional Development	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Indoor Space	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Outdoor Space	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Outdoor Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Fall Zone	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-12 Carbon Monoxide Detectors - Type B Only	Compliant	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment	Compliant	

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Toothbrushing	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Requirements for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Ratio and Supervision for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Vehicle Inspections	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-15 Health Conditions	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-15 Child Records Retention and Confidentiality	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Communicable Diseases	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

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5180:2-13-16 Incident/Injury	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-18 Group Size and Ratios	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-18 Attendance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 School Age Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Sleep and Nap Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Crib and Playpen Requirements	Compliant	

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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-21 Sanitary Environment and Hygiene	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Food Handling	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Fluid Milk	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Diapering	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 On-site Pools	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 Swimming Sites	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 Parent Permission for Swimming	Compliant	