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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 Mama Bear Childcare	Program Number 2240030204	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 474 Faber Street pickerington OH 43147		County FRANKLIN

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Provisional	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 07/30/2025	Begin Time 11:02 AM	End Time 1:05 PM
Reviewer: Melinda Irwin		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
68	11	0	3	11

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

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Mama Bear Childcare	Mixed Age Group	1 to 4	

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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: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment
Code: The program is required to protect children from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well-being.

Findings: Children in care shall be protected from any items which threaten their health, safety, and well-being. During the inspection, it was determined the program did not protect children from an unsafe item due to the following number 15 below:

1. Pull cord(s) on the window blind(s).
2. Extension cord(s); electrical cord(s) attached to an object that could result in a severe injury if pulled.
3. Stacked tables.
4. Folding tables.
5. Matches and/or a lighter.
6. Power tool(s).
7. Live wires.
8. Stove(s) that are either on or able to be turned on by a child.
9. Asbestos.
10. Traffic.
11. A body of water.
12. A well.
13. Environmental hazard(s) confirmed by local authorities having jurisdiction over the hazard.
14. A crockpot used to heat bottles.
15. Immediate access to a knife.
16. Large or heavy pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.

17. Marijuana was accessible to children.
18. Other [ ].

Any hazardous equipment must be removed, replaced, or repaired and any hazardous condition must be corrected and must be made inaccessible to children. Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the item or condition has been removed and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/15/2025

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment
Code: The program is required to refrain from using and storing potentially hazardous items, toxic substances, and outdoor machinery around children.

Findings: During the inspection, a potentially toxic substance was used or stored where children present had access to it as noted in number 14 below. The potentially hazardous substance that posed a risk to children was determined to be accessible to children in the kitchen.

1. Bleach.
2. Cleaning agent.
3. Fish tank chemicals.
4. Gasoline.
5. Pesticide.
6. Poison, including insect/rodent poison.
7. Flammable substance.
8. Windshield washer fluid.
9. Aerosol cans.
10. A lawn mower.
11. A weed trimmer.
12. Hedge trimmers.
13. A snow blower.
14. Prescription medications.

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the potentially hazardous substance or item is no longer accessible to children and/or children will not be outside when machinery is in use and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/15/2025

Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-13-11 Fall Zone

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Code: The program is required to have an adequate fall surface on the outdoor playground.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the playground did not have adequate fall surface under and around equipment as noted in the following number 1 below:

1. No fall surface
2. Adequate fall surface to soften the impact of a fall
3. Other [ ]

Any equipment designed for climbing, swinging, bouncing, or sliding needs a fall zone of protective material resilient under and around the equipment in order to protect children in the event of a fall. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes written verification of the discontinued use of this equipment until corrections are made along with a description of the resilient material added, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/27/2025

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-13-18 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 numbers 2 and 6 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.

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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 125 degrees in the bathroom and kitchen. 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: 09/10/2025

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment
Code: The program is required to have all required items in the restroom(s) and keep them sanitary.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that unsanitary conditions, as noted in the following number 4 below, were in the program restroom:

1. There was no liquid soap.
2. There was no toilet tissue.
3. There were no individually assigned towels or disposable towels.
4. The toilet cleaning brush was accessible to the children.
5. The plunger was accessible to the children.
6. The toilet was not flushed.
7. The trash was not emptied from the day before.
8. There was a strong urine odor.
9. Other [ ].

The restroom must be kept sanitary at all times. Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/15/2025

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan
Code: The program is required to post the completed JFS 01242 "Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan for Child Care" and implement as required by rule.

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Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the requirements for the JFS 01242 "Medical, Dental and General Emergency Plan" were not followed as noted in number 1 below:

1. The plan was not posted on each level of the home used for child care.
2. The name, address and telephone number of the program were not complete.
3. The location of the first aid kit, fire extinguisher and fire alarm system, fire alarm pull stations and electrical circuit box were not complete.
4. The telephone number for emergency squad, fire department hospital, poison control program, public children services agency, local health department, local emergency management agency and police department were not complete.
5. Location of children's records was not complete.
6. Emergency information including any medications or supplies needed i the event of an evacuation was not complete.
7. The current version of the prescribed form was not used.
8. The plan was not implemented when necessary in that [ ].

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/17/2025

Domain: 03 Postings & Equipment

Rule: 5180:2-13-17 Materials and Equipment
Code: The program is required to provide equipment appropriate for the children in the program in sufficient quantities that all children can be actively involved. Play materials must be accessible to the children and arranged in an orderly manner.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that equipment, materials and furnishings provided for indoor and outdoor play did not meet the requirement of the rule as noted in number 2 below.

1. Equipment and materials were not varied and adequate to meet the developmental needs of the children.
2. Equipment and materials were not provided in a sufficient quantity that each child can be actively involved in an activity.
3. Play materials were not readily accessible to the children.
4. Play materials were not arranged in an orderly manner so that children have opportunities to select, remove and replace play materials with minimal assistance during the day.
5. Durable, child-sized or safely adapted furniture was not provided for children.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/15/2025

Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

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Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Equipment
Code: 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 as noted in number 16 below:

1. Manufacturer's guidelines for the [ ] were not followed in that [ ].
2. The straps were missing on the [ ].
3. The straps were attached, but were not used on the [ ].
4. The straps were attached and were used, but were not used in a safe manner.
5. The equipment had sharp points or corners.
6. The equipment had splinters.
7. The equipment had protruding nails.
8. The equipment had loose or rusty parts.
9. The equipment had paint which contains lead or other poisonous materials.
10. The equipment had hazardous features.
11. A fan was unstable and could easily tip over.
12. A fan had openings a finger could enter.
13. The pipes from the heat pump felt hot to the touch
14. A space heater felt hot to the touch
15. The position of a space heater was a tripping hazard
16. The air conditioning unit was not enclosed and was accessible to children on the playground.
17. A ball pit, trampoline, inflatable bounce house, inflatable slide, inflatable equipment used for climbing and bouncing was used.
18. Other [ ].

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Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/10/2025

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 for item numbers 1, 2 and 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.

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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 program did not have a first aid kit onsite as required, that included all items listed in the appendix A of the rule. The kit was missing the item listed in number 11 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: 05 Health & Safety

Rule: 5180:2-13-22 Fluid Milk
Code: The program is required to have written documentation when serving substitutions for fluid milk.

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Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that required documentation for substitutions for fluid milk was not as file noted in numbers 2, 3 and 4 below:

1. Written instructions from a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or certified nurse practitioner when Infants up to 12 months of age were served anything other than formula or breast milk .
2. Written instructions from a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or certified nurse practitioner when Infants and toddlers 12 months of age up to 24 months of age were served anything other than unflavored whole homogenized vitamin D fortified cow's milk, breast milk, or non-cow milk substitutions that is nutritionally equivalent to milk.
3. Written instructions from a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or certified nurse practitioner when toddlers and children 24 months of age and older are served anything other than unflavored one percent milk that is vitamin A and D fortified, unflavored fat free or skim milk that is vitamin A and D fortified, or non-cow milk substitutions that are nutritionally equivalent to milk.
4. Written parental consent for non-cow milk substitutions that are nutritionally equivalent to milk.

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

Corrective Action Plan Due: 09/10/2025

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 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 1 below:

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

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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, 5, 8, 10 and 15 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 [ ]

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Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

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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 Information in OCLQS	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
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	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Provider Responsibilities	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 Child Care Staff Requirements	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 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	

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	

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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 Outdoor Space	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 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
5180:2-13-13 Smoke Free	Compliant	

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

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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 Communicable Diseases	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
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 Programming	Compliant	

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

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5180:2-13-19 School Age Supervision	Compliant	

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

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

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

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks	Compliant	

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

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

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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	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-25 Medication Requirements	Compliant	