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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 Educational Playhouse	Program Number 2240030386	Program Type FCC - Type A Home
Address 3922 Carrie Avenue Cheviot OH 45211		County HAMILTON

Building and Fire Approvals apply to Type A Family Child Care Homes only

Building Approval Date	Use Group/Code	Occupancy Limit	Maximum Under 2 ½

Fire Inspection Approval Date
07/23/2025

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Provisional	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Announced
Inspection Date 01/22/2026	Begin Time 9:45 AM	End Time 12:16 PM
Reviewer: Gina McDevitt		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
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License Capacity and Enrollment at the Time of Inspection				
Age Group	License Capacity Totals	Enrollment Full Time	Part Time	Total
Infant (Birth to < 18 m)		1	0	1
Young Toddler		2	0	2
Total Under 2 Years	6	3	0	3
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		6	0	6
School Age		7	0	7
Total Capacity/Enrollment	12	13	0	16

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
01/22/2026	Mixed Age Group	2 to 7	

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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 5180:2-12-03 and 5180:2-13-03 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: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-13-04 Building Inspections for Type A Homes
Code: The program is required to only provide child care for children in spaces approved for their age group by the building department.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program was using space for child care in a manner that was not inspected and approved by the Ohio Department of Commerce or local certified building authority as noted in number(s) [ ] below:
1. The [ ] room or space was not approved.
2. The space had been modified and not yet re-inspected and approved.
3. The 1st floor, which had not been approved by the building department for child care, was being used.
4. The building limitation had been exceeded. [ ] children were being cared for and the home had been approved for [ ] children.
5. The [ ] room(s) occupancy had been exceeded. [ ] children were being cared for in this space that had been approved for [ ] children.
6. 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.

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Domain: 00 License & Approvals

Rule: 5180:2-13-04 Fire Inspections for Type A Homes
Code: The program is required to have fire approval for areas used for child care before using the space.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program had not obtained written approval from the local fire safety inspector or the state fire marshal as noted in number 3 below:

1. The program had not been inspected and approved within 12 months from the date of the last fire approval and the request for the new inspection was not made at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the previous approval.
2. The fire approval had not been obtained due to violations which required re-inspection. The fire inspection had occurred more than 30 days ago, and the program has not corrected the violations and/or scheduled a re-inspection with the fire inspector.
3. The 1st fl space was being used and had not been approved by the fire department or the state fire marshal's office for child care.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes an updated fire approval, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Health Conditions
Code: The program is required to have a completed JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" 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 JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" 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 JFS 01236.

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 Records Review, with a condition that requires a JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan" as noted in numbers 1 & 7 below:

1. No plan was on file.
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2. Child's name was missing.
3. Name of the condition was missing.
4. Indication if medication or medical food is required was missing.
5. Signs, symptoms or situations that require staff to take action were missing.
6. Activities, foods, environmental conditions to avoid were missing.
7. Training instructions for procedures for staff to follow were missing or incomplete.

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8. Child's name was missing or not attached.
9. Child's date of birth was missing or not attached.
10. Child's weight was missing or not attached.
11. Name of the medication/medical food was missing or not attached.
12. Dosage of medication/medical food to be administered was missing or not attached.
13. Time for medication/medical food to be administered was missing or not attached.
14. Expiration date for medication/medical food was missing or not attached.
15. Symptoms that require staff to administer medication/medical food were missing or not attached.
16. Specific instructions to administer the medication/medical food were missing or not attached.
17. Actions to be taken if the symptoms do not subside were missing or not attached.
18. Physician's signature was missing or not attached.
19. The date of the physician's signature was missing or not attached.
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20. Child's name was missing.
21. Instructions regarding emergency evacuation, if applicable, were missing.
22. Signature of parent granting permission to implement the plan and verifying training was missing.
23. Date of parent signature was missing.
24. Certified Professional Trainer information was missing.
25. Signature of certified professional who trained the program staff was missing, if parent was not the trainer.
26. Date of trainer signature was missing.
27. Printed name(s)of child care staff member(s) who have received instructions for care and/or have been trained to perform the procedure were missing.
28. Signature(s) of child care staff member(s) who have received instructions for care and/or have been trained to perform the procedure were missing.
29. Date of staff signature was missing.
30. Administrator/Provider signature was missing
31. Date of administrator/Provider was missing.
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32. Child's name was missing.
33. Name of medication or medical food was missing.
34. Date the medication/medical food was administered was missing.
35. Time medication/medical food was administered was missing.
36. Dosage of medication/medical food that was administered was missing.
37. Signature of person administering medication/medical food was missing.
38. The plan was not followed or implemented.
39. The plan was not able to be implemented due to conflicting information.
40. None of the child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 were onsite when a child requiring the plan was present.
41. Child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 were not scheduled to be present the entire the time the child requiring the plan was onsite.
42. None of the child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 accompanied the child requiring the plan during a trip.
43. A child care staff member who had not been trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 performed the procedure.
44. Medication listed in the procedures to follow was not onsite available to administer as instructed and alternate instructions for this situation were not included on the plan.

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

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Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment
Code: The program is required to provide an environment that protects the children in care from any items and conditions that may threaten their health, safety, and well-being.

Findings: Children in care shall be protected from any items and conditions which threaten their health, safety, and well being. During the inspection, it was determined that children were not protected from the following item(s) or condition(s) which may threaten their health, safety, or well being as noted in the following number 14 below:

1. Surge protectors/outlets did not have childproof receptacle covers.
2. Open pull cords that are not closed loop.
3. Toys or other items small enough to be swallowed were present in the space where infants and/or toddlers were in care.
4. Electrical/extension cords attached to an object that would not likely result in a severe injury if pulled.
5. Stacked chairs.
6. Telephone cords.
7. Employee(s) purse(s).
8. Diaper bags.
9. Television not securely anchored.
10. Small or lightweight pieces of shelving units are not securely anchored to the wall.
11. Staff member stepped over a barrier/gate while holding a child.
12. Chipping or peeling paint.
13. An area rug did not have a nonskid backing.
14. An area rug presented a tripping hazard.
15. A floor surface was unsafe in that [ ].
16. No platform was provided for the sink or toilet.
17. The platform provided for the sink or toilet was not sturdy.
18. The platform provided for the sink or toilet posed a safety hazard in that [ ].
19. Emergency exits were blocked by the following furniture in that [ ].
20. A mercury thermometer was being used to take a child's temperature.
21. Methods of ventilation used did not provide protection from rodents, insects, or other hazards.
22. Other [ ].

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

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Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-13-11 Fall Zone
Code: The program is required to use fall surface material according to manufacturer's guidelines and 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 as noted in number(s) [ ] below:

1. The fall surface material had not been properly distributed, turned over or raked as needed.
2. The fall surface material was not being used according to manufacturer's guidelines for its use as a fall surface.
3. Other was worn and in poor condition

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.

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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(s) were missing the item(s) or the item(s) were not replaced after use and/or expired 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 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.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the program's weekly menu did not meet the requirement as noted in numbers 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: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5180:2-13-14 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.

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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 4 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.

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Domain: 06 Program Information

Rule: 5180:2-13-21 Evening and Overnight Care
Code: The program staff is required to actively supervise children and maintain staff to child ratios at all times.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that children were not within sight or hearing at all times in that, a monitoring device was not used or operable when children slept in the evening or overnight hours.
Submit the program's corrective action plan to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: 07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5180:2-13-20 Crib and Playpen Requirements
Code: The program is required to remove objects from cribs/playpens that could block the child.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that a child had been place in a crib or playpen with the following number 2 below which could obstruct a provider or child care staff member's view of the infant:
1. Busy box or other toy attached to the side of the crib or playpen.
2. A blanket hanging over the side of the crib or playpen.
3. Stuffed animal that is not large/soft enough that it could conform to the shape of the child's face.
4. Other [ ]
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: 08 Staff Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-09 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: During the inspection, it was determined that child care staff member, with preliminary approval on file, had sole responsibility of children and the JFS 01176 "Program Notification of Background Check Review for Child Care" was not on file was required. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the JFS 01176 or a statement that the child care staff member (s) no longer have sole responsibility of children, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this 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 3,4,6,12 & 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

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
5180:2-13-02 Type A Ownership	Compliant	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

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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
5180:2-13-08 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
5180:2-13-10 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 Outdoor Space	Compliant	

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Driver Requirements	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 Child Records Retention and Confidentiality	Compliant	

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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 Emergency Drills	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
5180:2-13-19 Supervision	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 School Age Supervision	Compliant	

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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 Sleep and Nap Requirements	Compliant	

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

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

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	

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

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5101:2-13-08 Review Policies and Procedures	Compliant	