Department of Children & Youth

Licensing Inspection Full Report

All licensed early care and education programs are inspected at least once each year. Non-compliances are documented and grouped by risk level. Documenting statements, technical assistance provided and supplemental information may be included in this report. Licensing inspection reports from the previous three years can be viewed on the Department of Children & Youth website at https://childcaresearch.ohio.gov/ . This includes complaint investigation reports with substantiated allegations. For any other early care and education records, please contact the Family and Customer Support Center at 1-844-234-5437.

Program Details		
Program Name The Genius Factory	Program Number 2240031287	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 2036 Treadway Avenue Cleveland OH 44109		County CUYAHOGA

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Compliance	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Method On-site Inspection	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 09/15/2026	Begin Time 10:00 AM	End Time 12:59 PM	Reviewer: Pamelina Rose

Summary of Findings			
No. Requirements Verified 78	No. Requirements with Non-compliances 8		No. Requirements Compliant 69
No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk Findings 1	No. Other Non-compliance Findings 7	No. Technical Assistance Provided 0

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)		3	0	3
Young Toddler		5	0	5
Total Under 2 ½ Years		8	0	8
Older Toddler		1	0	1
Preschool		1	0	1
School Age		14	0	14
Total Capacity/Enrollment	7	16	0	24

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection				
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Compliance**	**Comment**
The Genius Factory	Mixed Age Group	1 to 7	In Compliance	Ratio:1:7 arrival Ratio 1:7 departure

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, 5180:2-13-03, 5180:2-19-10 and 5180:2-20-02 detail the process for submitting a request for review. The request for review must be submitted within ten business days from the receipt of the licensing report. In addition, if the program is Step Up To Quality rated, the rating may be impacted if a serious or moderate risk non-compliance is cited.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

A serious risk non-compliance is a licensing rule violation that has the potential to lead to a great risk of harm to a child and is observable and/or based on facts.

No serious risk non-compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

A moderate risk non-compliance is a licensing rule violation that has the potential to lead to a great risk of harm to a child and is observable and/or based on facts.

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-13-09 Background Checks

Requirement: The program is required to have all staff request background checks as required and receive a DCY 01176 or preliminary approval from DCY prior to allowing an individual to engage in assigned duties or be near children.

Finding: 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.

The following was observed: The request for a background check for child care was not submitted in the OPR.

Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a copy of the DCY 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: 10/16/2026

Other Non-Compliances

This section includes other rule violations that are observable and/or based on facts.

Domain: **03 Postings & Equipment**

Rule: 5180:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan

Requirement: The program is required to post emergency phone numbers.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined that emergency phone numbers were not posted, readily in view in spaces used by the children.

The following was observed: Phone numbers did not include the seven-digit backup numbers as well as the area code if the code must be dialed to complete the call.

Emergency squad number was missing.

Hospital number was missing.

Police department number was missing.

Fire department number was missing.

Poison control number was missing.

Public children's services agency (PCSA) number was missing.

Local health department number was missing

Local emergency management agency (EMA) number was missing.

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Domain: **06 Program Information**

Rule: 5180:2-13-14 Requirements for Field and Routine Trips

Requirement: 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.

Finding: 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.

The following was observed: Written parental permission was not secured for routine trips off the premises.

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Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/16/2026

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-13-08 Child Care Staff Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to have staff complete the online staff orientation training. Additionally, the training must be completed before they are permitted to have sole responsibility of children.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that child care staff members did not meet the requirements for completing the online orientation training.

The following was observed: The training was not completed within 30 days of starting employment at the program as a child care staff member.

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 Staff Records

Requirement: The provider is required to maintain current employee, child care staff members and resident records in the Ohio Professional Registry.

Finding: During the inspection, it was determined employment records in the Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) were not created or maintained.

The following was observed: The provider had not created or updated their individual profile in the OPR. At least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member had not created or updated their individual profile in the OPR. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated within ten business days when at least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member's group assignments changed, if applicable.

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Rule: 5180:2-13-09 Background Checks

Requirement: The program is required to have the applicable DCY 01176 "Program Notification of Background Check Review for Child Care" on file.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that background check requirements had not been followed, for the individuals listed on the Employee Record Chart.

The following was observed: The DCY 01176 “Program Notification of Background Check Review for Child Care” the program received from the Department was not on file and the individual was not left alone with children.

Submit the program’s corrective action plan, which includes a statement that the correct form is now on file, to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

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Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180:2-13-08 Employee Requirements

Requirement: The program is required to have every employee provide immunization records.

Finding: In review of the staff records, it was determined that the immunization records for 1 of 5 employees, including child care staff members, did not meet the requirement.

The following was observed: The immunization record did not have written evidence that the employee is immunized against tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) from a licensed physician.

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Domain: **09 Children's Files**

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Child Enrollment Records

Requirement: The program is required to have a completed DCY 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information for Child Care" or equivalent on file on the premises for each child.

Finding: In review of the children's records, it was determined that information had not been secured from the parent/guardian on the DCY 01234 “Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care” or equivalent as required.

The following was observed as missing: Complete parent information. Parent/guardian’s signature. Enrollment form for at least one child was not updated by either the parent or the administrator Enrollment form for at least one child was not signed by the administrator.

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The following was observed: The provider had not created or updated their individual profile in the OPR. At least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member had not created or updated their individual profile in the OPR. The program's organizational dashboard in the OPR was not updated within ten business days when at least one employee, child care staff member, or substitute child care staff member's group assignments changed, if applicable.

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The following was observed: The immunization record did not have written evidence that the employee is immunized against tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) from a licensed physician.
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Domain: **09 Children's Files**
Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Child Immunization Records
Requirement:The program is required to have an immunization record on file for each child.
Findings:During the inspection, it was determined child’s immunization record was not on file or updated annually as required. Technical assistance was offered to support compliance. As discussed, please make the necessary corrections. A written response is not required at this time.

Domain: **09 Children's Files**

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Child Enrollment Records
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Technical Assistance Provided

This section documents technical assistance provided to the program when the program demonstrated an overall level of compliance with a rule requirement.

In Compliance/Not Verified/Previously Verified/Not Applicable

This section documents rule requirements that were assessed as fully compliant, previously verified, not verified during this inspection or not applicable to the program.

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 Information in Ohio statewide licensing system	Compliant	

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Provider Immunization	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
5180:2-13-04 Building Inspections for Type A Homes	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 Inspections for Type A 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
5180:2-13-05 Denial, Revocation, and Suspension	Not Applicable	

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 Provider Responsibilities	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 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
5180:2-13-10 Health Training	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 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 Safe Environment	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
5180:2-13-13 Handwashing	Compliant	

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

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

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

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

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 First Aid Kit/Standard Precautions	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 Emergency Drills	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
5180:2-13-17 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
5180:2-13-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Cots & Napping - Practices	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
5180:2-13-21 Sanitary Environment and Hygiene	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 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 and Toilet Training - Practices	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
5180:2-13-25 Medication Administration Practices	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Voluntary Temporary Closure - No Notification	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Cots & Napping - Equipment & Environment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-15 Child Record Requirements	Compliant	

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

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

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

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

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

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180:2-13-16 Communicable Diseases Compliant