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 Little Aces Academy & Preschool	Program Number 2260033885	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 800 E high st hicksville OH 43526		County DEFIANCE

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Pre-license	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Method On-site Inspection	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 07/27/2026	Begin Time 1:50 PM	End Time 3:30 PM	Reviewer: Beverly Sutter

Summary of Findings			
No. Requirements Verified 67	No. Requirements with Non-compliances 0		No. Requirements Compliant 61
No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk Findings 0	No. Other Non-compliance Findings 0	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)		0	0	0
Young Toddler		0	0	0
Total Under 2 ½ Years		0	0	0
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		0	0	0
School Age		0	0	0
Total Capacity/Enrollment		0	0	0

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection				
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Compliance**	**Comment**

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.

No moderate risk non-compliances were observed during this inspection

Other Non-Compliances

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

No other non-compliances were observed during this inspection

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
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program was seeking initial licensure. The program requested to serve a total capacity of 89 children; of this, 89 children may be under two and one-half years of age.

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 License Capacity	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding license capacity were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-02 License Visible	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding posting the program's license were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding compliance inspections and complaint investigations were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, the program was operating in compliance with the current building approval(s).
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Building Department Inspection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding building approval were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Fire Inspection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Please Note: Documentation of a fire inspection without any uncorrected violations must be secured for the program. Secure a new fire inspection by 6-25-27.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The food service license was observed posted. Following is the audit number and date of expiration: 0036173, March 1, 2027.
Rule: 5180:2-12-04 Food Service Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule

		regarding food service license or exemption were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-05 Denial, Revocation and Suspension	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Qualifications	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The administrator has completed the rules review course.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The written policies and procedures reviewed on the day of the inspection were verified as complete.
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Written Program Policies and Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding the program's written policies and procedures were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-07 Administrator Responsibilities/Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding administrator responsibilities and requirements were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All Child Care Staff Members had verification of educational requirements on file at the program.
Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Child Care Staff Member Educational Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding verification of education for child care staff members were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: On the day of the inspection, all child care staff members had met orientation training requirements.
Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Orientation Training & Whistle Blower Protection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding orientation training and whistle blower protection were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the required documentation regarding background checks was on file for all employees listed.
Rule: 5180:2-12-09 Background Check Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding background checks were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-10 Health Training Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding health training were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-10 Professional Development Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding professional development training for administrators and child care staff members were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding indoor space were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The outdoor play space provided [ ] square feet and,

		therefore, could accommodate [ ] children using the space at one time.
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The outdoor play area is separated from traffic and other hazards by a [fence; a hedge; natural barriers].
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Space Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding outdoor space were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding outdoor play equipment were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The protective material used under outdoor equipment was mulch.
Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Fall Zones	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding outdoor play fall zones were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding safe equipment were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-12 Safe Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding safe environment were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: No smoking was allowed on the premises, and the notice

		stating that smoking is prohibited was observed posted in a conspicuous place.
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding smoke free environment were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Sanitary Equipment and Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding sanitary equipment and environment were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-13 Handwashing Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding handwashing were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Requirements regarding routine and/or field trips were discussed during the inspection.
Rule: 5180:2-12-14 Transportation and Field Trip Procedures	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding transportation and field trip procedures were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Driver Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-14 Transportation - Vehicle Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Health Care Plans	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding caring for children with a specific health condition were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The DCY 08087 "Communicable Disease Chart" was posted and was readily available to staff and parents.
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding management of communicable diseases were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 First Aid/Standard Precautions	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the program had complete first aid kits available as required.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Incident/Injury Reporting	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding reporting incidents and injuries were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program's emergency preparedness and response plan was reviewed during the inspection and met the requirements.
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding the emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP) were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Daily schedules were observed posted.
Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Schedule	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding the program's daily schedule were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding materials and equipment were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-17 Daily Outdoor Play	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding daily outdoor play were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The Appendix A "Staff/Child Ratios, Age Grouping and Maximum Group Size" was posted in a noticeable area at the program as required.
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding staff/child ratios were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Supervision	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding supervision of children were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Attendance Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding attendance records were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Group Size	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding group size were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding child guidance and behavior managements practices were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Safe Food Handling/Storage	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding safe food handling were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Fluid Milk Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding fluid milk were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Meal Preparation and Nutritional Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding meals and snacks were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding infant daily care were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

Rule: 5180:2-12-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding infant bottle and food preparation were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-24 Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Postings	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding emergency postings and weather and fire alert plans was discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding emergency drills were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-12-21 Mobile Preschools	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Staff Immunization Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All employees had immunization records or exemption documentation on file.
Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Staff Immunization Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding staff immunization record requirements were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The program had current information entered in the Ohio Statewide Licensing System.

Rule: 5180:2-12-02 Current Information	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding maintaining current information in the Ohio Statewide Licensing System were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-02 Amendments to the License	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding maintaining current information on the license in the Ohio statewide licensing system were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping - Practices	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding sleeping and napping were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Immunization Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding children's immunization records were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Enrollment Records	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding children's enrollments forms were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-15 Child Record Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding confidentiality, availability and access, and retention of children's records were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Staff TB Screening Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: All employees had tuberculosis (TB) screenings and immunization records on file.
Rule: 5180:2-12-08 Staff TB Screening Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding staff TB screening requirements were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping - Equipment and Environment	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding sleeping and napping were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs - Safe Environment and Practices	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding cribs were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cribs - Placement	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding cribs were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-22 Specialized Diets	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding specialized diets were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-23 Diapering and Toilet Training - Practices	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding diapering and toilet training were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-23 2026 Diapering and Toilet Training - Supplies	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule

		regarding diapering and toilet training were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Administration Practices	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding administering medication, topical products and medical foods were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Documentation	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding administering medication, topical products and medical foods were discussed.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-12-25 2026 Medication Storage	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the requirements of the rule regarding administering medication, topical products and medical foods were discussed.