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Center Complaint Inspection Summary 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 ST CLAIR ACADEMY	Program Number 000000202800	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 116 W ST CLAIR ST EATON OH 45320		County PREBLE

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) Steffani Roberts	Inspection Day 06/03/2026	Begin Time 3:30 PM	End Time 4:00 PM
Reviewer(s) Ashley Chiles	Inspection Day 06/03/2026	Begin Time 3:30 PM	End Time 4:00 PM
Reviewer(s) Steffani Roberts	Inspection Day 06/09/2026	Begin Time 1:15 PM	End Time 3:15 PM
Reviewer(s) Ashley Chiles	Inspection Day 06/09/2026	Begin Time 1:15 PM	End Time 3:15 PM

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
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Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Older School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	1 to 12	Day One
Older School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	1 to 13	Day Two
4's	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 8	Day One
4's	4 years to < 5 years	1 to 9	Day Two
Young School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	3 to 47	Day Two-- Young, Middle and Older School Age combined-- exceeded group size
Young School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	1 to 11	Day Two
Middle School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	2 to 33	Day One -- Combined with Young School Age
Middle School Age	School-Age to < 11 years	2 to 27	Day Two

3's	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 14	Day One
3's	3 years to < 4 years	1 to 12	Day Two

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Complaint Allegations

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.

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-12-18 Group Size
Code: The program is required to maintain the appropriate group size for each group of children served.

Allegation: Group size is too large.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, group size limitations were not maintained for the group of school agers as it was determined there were 47 children grouped together. The group size shall not exceed twice the maximum number of children allowed per Child Care Staff Member. Submit the program's corrective action plan to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Risk Level: Low

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/12/2026

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-12-19 Supervision
Code: The program staff is required to supervise children in their assigned group by sight and hearing. Supervision includes being near enough to respond and reach children immediately including responding to the child's basic needs and protecting them from harm.

Allegation: Supervision is inadequate.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that children were not being properly supervised as noted in number 5 below:

1. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member during indoor play.
2. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member during outdoor play.
3. Child(ren) were not within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member more than once.
4. Staff were not physically present in the space and near enough to respond and reach the child(ren) immediately.
5. Other: Staff are on their phones and engaged in other duties while supervising children.

Children must be supervised according to rule and within both sight and hearing of a child care staff member at all times. Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan, which includes a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Risk Level: Low

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/12/2026

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Domain:04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-12-11 Outdoor Play Equipment
Code: The program is required to provide equipment that does not pose a safety risk and must follow the manufacturer's guidelines for assembling, installing and using the equipment.

Allegation: Outdoor equipment is unsafe.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that outdoor play equipment was unsafe or not used as intended as noted in numbers 3,4,5,6,9,10 and 20 below:

1. There was rust exposed.
2. There were protruding bolts.
3. There were cracks.
4. There were holes.
5. There was splintering wood.
6. There were sharp edges or points.
7. There were lead hazards.
8. There were toxic substances.
9. There were tripping hazards.
10. There was chipped and/or peeling paint.
11. The sandbox was not covered when the program was closed or during non-daylight hours.
12. Outdoor equipment, [ ] was not developmentally appropriate.
13. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was placed in the main traffic pattern.
14. Outdoor play equipment, [ ], was positioned too closely together, posing a risk of injury if a child were to fall from one piece of equipment into another.
15. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was not securely anchored but did not present a risk of imminent danger of the structure collapsing when children are using the equipment
16. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was 30 inches or more from the ground and did not have a protective barrier that would prevent a child from falling off this piece of equipment.
17. The manufacturer's guidelines for assembly and installation were not followed for the [ ].
18. Functionally linked equipment was used by preschool-age children and the distance between two adjacent pieces of equipment exceeded 12 inches.
19. Functionally linked equipment was used by school-age children and the distance between two adjacent pieces of equipment exceeded 18 inches.
20. Other: Equipment has old wood that is in disrepair causing the equipment to shake and be unstable.

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

Risk Level: Low

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/12/2026

Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

No Additional Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

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Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

No Additional Moderate Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Low Risk Non-Compliances

No Low Additional Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection