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 Northwest School	Program Number 1000018106	Program Type Pre School
Address 8436 Erie Ave NW Canal Fulton OH 44614		County STARK

Organization Name:	Org IRN:	Site IRN:
Stark County ESC	049825	016223

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Method On-site Inspection	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Inspection Date 09/08/2026	Begin Time 9:05 AM	End Time 11:32 AM	Reviewer: SHELLY WILLIAMS

Summary of Findings			
No. Requirements Verified 69	No. Requirements with Non-compliances 0		No. Requirements Compliant 59
No. Serious Risk 0	No. Moderate Risk Findings 0	No. Other Non-compliance Findings 0	No. Technical Assistance Provided 0

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection				
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Compliance**	**Comment**
502 AM/PM	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 12	In Compliance	9:10 am
502 AM/PM	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 12	In Compliance	11:10am - departure
502B AM/PM	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 13	In Compliance	11:10am departure

502B AM/PM	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 13	In Compliance	9:10am
105 PM	3 years to < 4 years	0 to 0	In Compliance	PM only not in session

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

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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
5180:2-20-02 Education Management Information System Reporting	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 Current Information	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-02 License Posted	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The license was posted in a conspicuous location and visible to the public as required.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 License Capacity	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Building Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-05 Fire Inspection	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, the program had a current fire inspection on file.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Outdoor Space Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Sleeping and Napping	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180-37-04 Ratio	Compliant	Documenting Statement: Staff/child ratios observed during the inspection were in compliance.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Sanitary Environment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Group Size	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Attendance Records	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-10 Child Guidance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Safe Environment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Smoke Free Environment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Cots and Mats	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Safe Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Sanitary Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Handwashing	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Emergency Phone Numbers	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Indoor Space Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-02 Serious Incident Reporting	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Parent Notification of Incidents/Injuries	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Emergency Drills	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-09 Meal and Snack Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 First Aid/Standard Precautions	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-11 Management of Communicable Disease	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Written Curriculum Adopted and Aligned	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Daily Schedule	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-09 Food Service Requirements	Compliant	Documenting Statement: The food service license was observed posted. Following is the date of expiration: 3/1/27.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Progress Reports and Teacher Conferences	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 On-site Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Swimming and Water Safety Permission Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Off-site Swimming and Water Safety Requirements	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-05 Infant/Toddler Space	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Cribs - Safe Environment and Practices	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-12 Diapering Practices	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-09 Infant Food and Formula	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Preschool Director Qualifications	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Preschool Director Responsibilities	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Preschool Staff Member Education	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Preschool Staff Member Medical Statement	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Staff Non-Discrimination	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Preschool Staff Member Orientation Training	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Background Check Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Health and Safety Training	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Parent Notification and Participation Policies	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180-37-04 Professional Development and In-service Training	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Medication Documentation	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Medication Administration Practices	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Medication Storage	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Child Immunization Records	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-10 Written Child Guidance Policy	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Child Cumulative Records	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Child Health Records	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-03 Written Program Philosophy and Goals	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-07 Operating Policies and Procedures	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
Rule: 5180:2-20-07 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan	Compliant	Documenting Statement: During the inspection, documentation that the program had adopted a written safety plan in accordance with section 5502.262 of the Ohio Revised Code and filed it with the Ohio School Safety Center was verified.

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-08 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-11 Written Management of Communicable Disease Policy	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

5180:2-20-02 Amendments to the License	Compliant

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
ORC 3301.531 Preschool Staff Member TB Screening	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-09 Specialized Diets	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-06 Cribs - Placement	Not Applicable	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-20-12 Diapering Supplies	Compliant	