Department of Children & Youth

Licensing Inspection Full Report

Program Details		
Program Type: Pre School	Program Name: Azalea Montessori School	Program Number: 1230029126
Address: 1759 Mills Ave Norwood OH 45212		County: HAMILTON
Organization Name: Azalea Montessori School	Org IRN: 018997	Site IRN: 021269

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Annual	Inspection Scope: Full	Inspection Notice: Unannounced
Visit Date: 09/15/2025	Begin Time: 11:10 AM	End Time: 3:10 PM

The most recent written compliance reports and the program's corrective action plan shall remain posted in a conspicuous place near the posted program license until the next compliance report is received from the department

Note: All documented non-compliances are grouped as Serious, Moderate and Low risk violations. A serious risk non-compliance may impact a program's Step up to Quality rating.

Summary of Findings		
Number of Rules Verified: 161	Number of Rules with Non-Compliances: 6	
Serious Risk Non-Compliances: 0	Moderate Risk Non-Compliances: 2	Low Risk Non-Compliances: 4

Summary of Non-Compliances

If a program disagrees with a licensing finding, the program may request a review of the finding(s). 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 risk non-compliance is cited.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

No Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: **01 Ratio & Supervision**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Ratio and Group size: General education or co-taught classroom

Code: This rule requires children 3 years old must have a staff/child ratio of 1:12.

Findings: During the inspection, the staff/child ratio in a general education or co-taught classroom was not maintained for a group including children three years old.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/16/2025

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Required background checks

Code: This rule requires any individual who may have an assigned schedule with a preschool child (or group) or may be used to count in ratio is obligated to meet the requirements as prescribed in section 3301.541 of the Revised Code and if applicable, rehabilitation criteria as described in rules 3301-20-01 and 3301-20-03 of the Administrative Code.

Findings: During the inspection and review of staff files, individuals used in ratio did not have evidence of criminal background checks that meet the requirements.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 10/16/2025

Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Nontax nonpublic preschool teacher requirements

Code: This rule requires a preschool program operated by an eligible nontax-supported, nonpublic school, shall have a lead teacher who is at least eighteen years of age who has a high school diploma.

Findings: During the inspection and review of staff files, the lead teacher of a non-tax, non-public preschool program does not have evidence to show he or she is at least eighteen years of age and has a valid high school diploma or equivalency.

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Orientation training

Code: This rule requires any individual who may have an assigned schedule with a preschool child (or group) or may be used to count in ratio is obligated to have an orientation training as prescribed by the department completed within thirty days of the individuals start date.

Findings: During the inspection and review of staff files, individuals used in ratio did not have documentation of the required orientation training prescribed by the department completed within thirty days of the start date.

Domain: **08 Staff Files**

Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff Medical statement

Code: This rule requires any individual who may have an assigned schedule with a preschool child (or group) or may be used to count in ratio is obligated to have evidence of a signed medical statement on or before the first day of employment.

Findings: During the inspection and review of staff files, individuals used to count in ratio did not have evidence of a signed medical statement on or before the first day of employment.

Domain: **09 Children's Files**

Rule: 5180-37-08 Names and telephone numbers of physician and dentist

Code: This rule requires that the program secure and have on file all required information no later than the first day of attendance unless otherwise required. The health record of each child shall include but not be limited to the names and telephone numbers of physician and dentist in case of emergency.

Findings: During the inspection, and a review of children(s) files, it was determined that the health record of each child did not include the names and telephone numbers of dentist in case of emergency.

Rules in Compliance/Not Verified	
Rule: 5180-37:03 Written philosophy and goals	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Parent handbook	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:03 Developmental progress and parent teacher conferences	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Medication was dispensed to the wrong child or the wrong dosage was administered	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:03 Written curriculum adopted and aligned	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37-02 Falsified information was submitted to the department	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Program amendment submitted	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Program failed to report suspected abuse, neglect, or endangerment	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 A child was left unattended inside or outside the facility	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Swimming activity supervision/ratio/location violation	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Written compliance report posted	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Child is left unattended on a field trip or in a vehicle	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Preschool application submission	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 OCLQS not maintained	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Preschool information reported in Education Management Information System	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Serious risk incident/injury reporting	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Children are not protected from harm resulting in a serious incident or injury	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 The department was denied access to conduct a compliance review	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Program used a prohibited disciplinary technique	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Weapons or ammunition are on the premises without prior approval	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Program operation	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:02 Employee refused to be fingerprinted and remains employed or person remains employed when not eligible for employment	*Not Verified*

Rule: 5180-37:02 Substantiated public children's services agency finding of abuse or neglect	*Not Verified*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff Non-Discrimination	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:03 Daily Schedule	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:03 Nap/Rest-Time Requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Director onsite fifty percent of operating hours	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff supervision	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Director qualifications	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Director responsibilities	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Administrator rules training	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Lead teacher assigned	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Public preschool general education teacher requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Special education teacher requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Substitute requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Individuals used in ratio	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Annual in-service requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff minimum requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Non-guilty non-conviction statement	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff with required health and safety trainings	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:04 Background check updates	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Second adult requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Staff/child ratio maintained at all times	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Licensed staff in-service requirement	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Nap/rest time ratio requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Part-time staff in-service requirement	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Mixed age group size	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Substitute providing IEP services	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Ratio and Group size: Special education classroom	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Ratio and Group size: Integrated classroom	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Approved trainer requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Montessori maximum group size	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Preschool/school age mixed group	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Outdoor play space	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Center cleaning and sanitizing	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Phone available	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Safe play space available	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Play space free of hazards	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Exclusive use of preschool space	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:06 Safe and sanitary equipment and materials	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Square footage and maximum capacity	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Annual fire inspection	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Children supervised during travel times	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Public access areas	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Ratio maintained at all times	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Electrical fans	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Electrical outlets	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Room divided by barrier	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Smoking prohibited	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Adequate first-aid supplies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Materials selected independently	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Cleaning and sanitizing supplies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:05 Indoor space minimum requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Potty chair requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Space heaters	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Safe handling, storage, and disposal of bio-contaminants	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Cot or Mat requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:06 Protective Mats	*Compliant*

Rule: 5108-37:06 Furniture and equipment	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Governing body written policies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Program policies and procedures	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Appropriate policies for children	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Staff policies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Emergency numbers posting	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Developmentally appropriate program planning	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Policies address children's cumulative records	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Admission procedures	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Health and safety procedures	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Organized school health services	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Emergency procedure postings and records	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Immunization records and emergency medical authorization requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Parent Roster	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Behavior management/discipline policy requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Communicable Disease Policy requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Transportation and field trip policies	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Unlimited parent access	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Offsite swimming policy requirements	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:07 Parent Roster permission	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Safe sleep policy	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Medical and dental emergency procedure posting	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Swimming policy	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 List of allergies and treatment	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:04 Fluoride supplements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 First-aid Facilities and Materials	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Handwashing and disposable towels or air hand dryer available	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Supervising grounds, play areas, and other facilities	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Written medication policy requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Written procedures for incident and injury reporting	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:07 Parent permission for topical products	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Immunization records	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 List of prescription or nonprescription medications, food supplements, modified diets, or fluoride supplements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 List of chronic physical problems and history of hospitalization	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 List of child diseases	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37-08 Emergency medical and dental care transportation	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Daily attendance records	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Injury report	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Cumulative record requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Child medical signed by licensed physician	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37-08 Medication authorization	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Food license	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Menus	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Choice of two required food groups for snack	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Modified diet accommodations	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Snack service time	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Nutritious snack choices provided to parents	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Screen time during meal or snack time	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Snack nutritional requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Snacks and meals to children attending four or more hours	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Use of powdered milk	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable disease chart posted	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Reporting abuse policy	*Compliant*

Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable disease policy: Training staff	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Staff responsibility for discipline	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Exposure to a communicable disease	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Discipline restrictions	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Readmitting an ill child	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Ill child isolation requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:09 Policy regarding providing food when parent does not provide it	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Parent notification of illness	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Discipline policy ensures well being of individuals	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Written discipline policy requirements	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Staff receive discipline policy	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Symptoms of illness for isolation and discharge	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:10 Discipline policy/ behavior management communication and written consent to parent	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Symptoms of illness for isolation	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Children observed for communicable disease upon	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:11 Communicable Disease Policy: Mildly ill child	*Compliant*
Rule: 5180-37:08 Child medical statement	*Compliant*