Department of Children & Youth

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 Junior Explorers CDC	Program Number 2190019627	Program Type Child Care Center
Address 4806 Timber Commons Drive Sandusky OH 44870		County ERIE

Inspection Information			
Inspection Type Complaint		Inspection Scope Partial	Inspection Notice Unannounced
Reviewer(s) Jennifer Bartlebaugh	Inspection Day 03/16/2026	Begin Time 1:00 PM	End Time 2:45 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**
Preschool- 4's	4 years to < 5 years	2 to 12	Arrival Ratio
Infant 1	0 to < 12 months	3 to 7	Arrival Ratio
Infant 2	12 months to < 18 months	2 to 5	Arrival Ratio
Toddler 1	18 months to < 30 months	2 to 5	Arrival Ratio
Toddler 2	30 months to < 36 months	2 to 6	Arrival Ratio
Preschool -3's	3 years to < 4 years	2 to 15	

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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: 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping
Code: The program is required to not block pathways or exits with furniture or materials while the children are resting, napping, and/or sleeping.

Allegation: The alleged rule violation is the placements of the cots/mats did not allow for a clear pathway.

Determination: Substantiated

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the placement of cots or mats in the toddler nap room did not meet the requirements as noted in number 1 below:

1. The placement did not allow for a clear pathway to each cot. (Toddler Classroom)
2. Cots or mats blocked exits.

Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. A written response for this rule noncompliance is required at this time.

Risk Level: Low

Corrective Action Plan Due: 05/09/2026

Summary of Additional Non-Compliances

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

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

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

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

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Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain:01 Ratio & Supervision

Rule: 5180:2-12-20 Cots and Napping
Code: The program is required to provide sufficient lighting when the children rest, nap, or sleep.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that the area used when children rest, nap or sleep was not lighted sufficiently to allow child care staff visual supervision of the children at all times. Technical assistance was provided at the time of the inspection, and as discussed, please correct this rule noncompliance. A written response for this rule noncompliance is not required at this time.