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Family Child Care Licensing Inspection Full 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 Thorn's Childcare	Program Number 2240031050	Program Type FCC - Type B Home
Address 336 Hill Avenue Steubenville OH 43952		County JEFFERSON

Inspection Information		
Inspection Type Provisional	Inspection Scope Full	Inspection Notice Announced
Inspection Date 06/26/2025	Begin Time 10:00 AM	End Time 12:30 PM
Reviewer: Kristal Singleton		

Summary of Findings				
No. Rules Verified	No. Rules with Non-compliances	No. Serious Risk	No. Moderate Risk	No. Low Risk
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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)		1	0	1
Young Toddler		0	0	0
Total Under 2 Years	3	1	0	1
Older Toddler		0	0	0
Preschool		1	0	1
School Age		2	0	2
Total Capacity/Enrollment	6	3	0	4

Staff-Child Ratios at the Time of Inspection			
Group	**Age Group/Range**	**Ratio Observed**	**Comment**
Thorns childcare	Mixed Age Group	2 to 4	Ratio observed 2:4

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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 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.

Serious Risk Non-Compliances

No Serious Risk Non-Compliances were observed during this inspection

Moderate Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Health Conditions
Code: The program is required to have a completed JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" on file at the program for any child having a health condition and must implement and/or follow instructions on the plan. The program is required to have staff trained to perform the procedures on the JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" present at the program when the child requiring the procedure is onsite. Only staff who have been trained shall be permitted to perform the procedures listed on the JFS 01236.

Findings: In review of the children's records, it was determined the program did not meet the requirements for caring for at least one child, indicated on the Children Records Review, with a condition that requires a JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan" as noted in numbers 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16,17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 below:

1. No plan was on file.
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2. Child's name was missing.
3. Name of the condition was missing.
4. Indication if medication or medical food is required was missing.
5. Signs, symptoms or situations that require staff to take action were missing.
6. Activities, foods, environmental conditions to avoid were missing.
7. Training instructions for procedures for staff to follow were missing or incomplete.
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8. Child's name was missing or not attached.
9. Child's date of birth was missing or not attached.
10. Child's weight was missing or not attached.

11. Name of the medication/medical food was missing or not attached.
12. Dosage of medication/medical food to be administered was missing or not attached.
13. Time for medication/medical food to be administered was missing or not attached.
14. Expiration date for medication/medical food was missing or not attached.
15. Symptoms that require staff to administer medication/medical food were missing or not attached.
16. Specific instructions to administer the medication/medical food were missing or not attached.
17. Actions to be taken if the symptoms do not subside were missing or not attached.
18. Physician's signature was missing or not attached.
19. The date of the physician's signature was missing or not attached.

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20. Child's name was missing.
21. Instructions regarding emergency evacuation, if applicable, were missing.
22. Signature of parent granting permission to implement the plan and verifying training was missing.
23. Date of parent signature was missing.
24. Certified Professional Trainer information was missing.
25. Signature of certified professional who trained the program staff was missing, if parent was not the trainer.
26. Date of trainer signature was missing.
27. Printed name(s)of child care staff member(s) who have received instructions for care and/or have been trained to perform the procedure were missing.
28. Signature(s) of child care staff member(s) who have received instructions for care and/or have been trained to perform the procedure were missing.
29. Date of staff signature was missing.
30. Administrator/Provider signature was missing
31. Date of administrator/Provider was missing.

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32. Child's name was missing.
33. Name of medication or medical food was missing.
34. Date the medication/medical food was administered was missing.
35. Time medication/medical food was administered was missing.
36. Dosage of medication/medical food that was administered was missing.
37. Signature of person administering medication/medical food was missing.
38. The plan was not followed or implemented.
39. The plan was not able to be implemented due to conflicting information.
40. None of the child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 were onsite when a child requiring the plan was present.
41. Child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 were not scheduled to be present the entire the time the child requiring the plan was onsite.
42. None of the child care staff members trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 accompanied the child requiring the plan during a trip.
43. A child care staff member who had not been trained in the procedures on the JFS 01236 performed the procedure.
44. Medication listed in the procedures to follow was not onsite available to administer as instructed and alternate instructions for this situation were not included on the plan.

Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan within 30 days, which includes a copy of the completed JFS 01236, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/11/2025

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Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-25 Medication Requirements
Code: The program is required to use the appropriate form and retain current documentation to administer medications. The program is also required to obtain separate documentation for each medication and child, and retain on file each JFS 01217 "Request for Administration of Medication for Child Care" for at least one year. The program is required to administer medication only if it has the prescription label attached or had written instructions from a licensed physician. The program is also required to have each medication to be administered stored in its original container.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined the program did not meet the requirement(s) for administering a medication, medical food or a prescription topical product to a child as noted in numbers 1, & 19 below:

1. The JFS 01217 “Request for Administration of Medication for Child Care” was not on file for a medication, medical food, or prescription topical product that was not required by a JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care".
2. The child’s name was missing on the JFS 01217.
3. The child’s date of birth was missing on the JFS 01217 and was needed to determine the correct dosage.
4. The child’s weight was missing on the JFS 01217 and was needed to determine the correct dosage.
5. The name of the medication was missing on the JFS 01217.
6. The exact dose was missing on the JFS 01217.
7. The time to administer was missing on the JFS 01217.
8. The time period to administer was missing on the JFS 01217.
9. The medication's expiration date was missing on the JFS 01217.
10. The Parent/Guardian’s dated signature was missing on the JFS 01217.
11. Physician instructions were missing on the JFS 01217.
12. Possible side effects were missing on the JFS 01217.
13. Physician’s dated signature was missing on the JFS 01217.
14. Physician’s phone number was missing on the JFS 01217.
15. Date medication was administered was missing on the JFS 01217.
16. Time medication was administered was missing on the JFS 01217.
17. Dosage administered was missing on the JFS 01217.
18. Staff member’s signature was missing on the JFS 01217.
19. A prescription label was not attached to the prescription medication.
20. The medication or product, [ ], was not brought to the program in its original container.
21. Parent instructions conflict with either the manufacturer or physician instructions.

Submit the program’s corrective action plan within 30 days, which includes the completed JFS 01217 for each child needed, verification that the prescription label is now attached, and/or verification that the medication or product is now in its original container, and a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/27/2025

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Low Risk Non-Compliances

Domain: 02 Safe & Sanitary Environment

Rule: 5180:2-13-12 Safe Environment
Code: The program is required to store alcohol in a space not used by children.

Findings: During the inspection, it was observed that a sealed container of alcohol was observed in a space approved or used for child care as noted in the following number 2 below:
1. A sealed container was observed but children in care did not gain access to the alcohol.
2. A sealed container of alcohol was observed but children in care were not observed in the space at the time of the inspection.
These items must be removed or stored in space not approved or used for children as required. Submit the program's corrective action plan within 30 days to verify compliance with this rule. Alcohol was removed and stored in a safe space during inspection by the provider.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/27/2025

Domain: 04 Indoor/Outdoor Space

Rule: 5180:2-13-11 Outdoor 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.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that outdoor play equipment was unsafe as noted in the number 14 below:

1. There was rust exposed.
2. There was 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. The sandbox was not covered when the program was closed or during non-daylight hours.
11. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was not developmentally appropriate.
12. Outdoor equipment, [ ], was placed in the main traffic pattern.
13. 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.
14. Outdoor equipment, swing set, was not securely anchored but did not present a risk of imminent danger of the structure collapsing when children are using the equipment
15. 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.
16. The manufacturer's guidelines for assembly and installation were not followed for the [ ].
17. Other [ ].

Submit the program's corrective action plan within 30 days to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/27/2025

Domain: 07 Diapering & Infant Care

Rule: 5180:2-13-23 Infant Bottle and Food Preparation
Code: The program is required to retain and update infant feeding instructions.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that written instructions for feeding the infants noted on the Children Record Review form were not fully completed, as required by this rule. Correct the violation and submit the program's corrective action plan within 30 days to verify compliance with the requirement of the rule.

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Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Child Medical and Enrollment Records
Code: The program is required to have a completed JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information for Child Care" on file on the premises for each child.

Findings: In review of the children's records, it was determined that information had not been secured from the parent/guardian on the JFS 01234 "Child Enrollment and Health Information For Child Care", as required, for the items in numbers 8, & 9 below:

1. No enrollment form was completed for at least one child
2. The current JFS 01234 was not completed for at least one child
3. Complete child information
4. Complete parent information
5. Complete emergency contact information
6. Complete physician information
7. Information regarding the parent list
8. Health information
9. Additional information for all boxes checked "yes"
10. Emergency transportation information
11. Parent/guardian's signature

12. Diapering Statement
13. Acknowledgement of Policies and Procedures
14. Enrollment form for at least one child was not updated by either the parent or the administrator
15. Enrollment form for at least one child was not signed by the administrator
16. Other [ ]

Submit the program's corrective action plan within 30 days to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/27/2025

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-15 Health Conditions
Code: The program is required to ensure that there is at least one child care staff member who has signed the JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan for Child Care" caring for the child at all times when a child with a health condition is present.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined a child with a condition that required a JFS 01236 "Child Medical/Physical Care Plan" had been present and the program did not ensure there was at least one child care staff member caring for the child at all times who had signed the JFS 01236 on the child's condition. Provide staff training. Submit the program's corrective action plan within 30 days, which includes a statement that training was provided, to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 08/25/2025

Domain: 09 Children's Files

Rule: 5180:2-13-25 Medication Requirements
Code: The program is required to have medication, topical products, or medical foods labeled with the child's name.

Findings: During the inspection, it was determined that medication, topical product, or medical food was at the program which had not been labeled with the child's name. Submit the program's corrective action plan within 30 days to the Department to verify compliance with the requirements of this rule.

Corrective Action Plan Due: 07/27/2025

Rules In-Compliance/Not Verified

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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Voluntary Temporary Closure	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 License Visible	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Change of Location	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Information in OCLQS	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-02 Provider Medical	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-03 Inspection Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Building Requirements for Type B Homes	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Fire Safety for Type B Homes	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Flammable and Combustible Materials in a Type B Home	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-04 Heaters in a Type B Home	Compliant	

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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Staff Records	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Provider Responsibilities	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13 Written Policies and Procedures	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-07 Type B Provider - Foster Parent	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Child Care Staff Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Employee Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-08 Whistle Blower	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-09 Background Checks	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-10 Health Training	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-10 Professional Development	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

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5180:2-13-11 Indoor Space	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Outdoor Space	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-11 Fall Zone	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-12 Safe Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-12 Carbon Monoxide Detectors - Type B Only	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-12 Pets	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Clean environment and equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Toothbrushing	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Requirements for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Smoke Free	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-13 Handwashing	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Ratio and Supervision for Field and Routine Trips	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Driver Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Vehicle Inspections	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-14 Vehicle Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-15 Child Records Retention and Confidentiality	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Medical, Dental, and General Emergency Plan	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Emergency Drills	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 First Aid Kit/Standard Precautions	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Communicable Diseases	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Incident/Injury	Compliant	

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Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-16 Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-17 Programming	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-17 Materials and Equipment	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-18 Group Size and Ratios	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-18 Attendance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 School Age Supervision	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-19 Child Guidance	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-21 Sanitary Environment and Hygiene	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-20 Sleep and Nap Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable

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5180:2-13-20 Crib and Playpen Requirements	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-21 Evening and Overnight Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Meals and Snacks	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Fluid Milk	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-22 Food Handling	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Infant Daily Care	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-23 Diapering	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 On-site Pools	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 Swimming Sites	Compliant	

Rule	Status	Documenting Statement(s), If applicable
5180:2-13-24 Parent Permission for Swimming	Compliant	