

Evaluation Form

1. Inspection Schedule Details

Inspection Type: Annual inspection

Facility Name: BIG BLUE MARBLE
ACADEMY CAPSHAW

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Visit Type: Unannounced

Facility Address: 1854 BALCH RD NW,
MADISON, AL 35757, Madison

Visit Date: 8/4/2025

Inspection Status: Completed

2. Inspection Questionnaire

Facilities - Indoor area (II.C.4.)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Exclusive use of activity areas	Observed	
2	Designated space for each grouping of children	Observed	
3	Bathrooms located on same level/under same roof	Observed	
4	One flush toilet for each 15 children	Observed	
5	One handwashing sink for each 15 children	Observed	
6	One tub (portable plastic acceptable)	Observed	
7	Fixtures child size or adjusted for easy use	Observed	
8	One handwashing sink with warm running water soap paper towels in each room	Observed	

17	Outside windows that are open are screened	Not applicable	
18	Outside doors kept closed	Observed	
19	Lighting adequate for activities	Observed	
20	Lighting adequate at nap/rest time to allow children to be seen	Observed	
21	Operational telephone for center business only	Observed	
22	DHR notified if telephone is out of order or if the number changes	Certified/Discussed	
23	Center free of apparent hazards	Observed	
24	Hazardous substances under lock and key or combination lock	Observed	
25	Containers labeled	Observed	
26	No firearms or ammunition kept or allowed in center except law enforcement	Certified/Discussed	
27	Stairways have hand-railings in child's reach	Not applicable	
28	Clear glass doors are marked at child level	Observed	
29	Medications and drugs kept under lock and key or combination lock, separate from harmful items	Not applicable	
30	Barriers around heaters, radiators, fans	Not applicable	
31	Exposed electrical outlets have protective covers	Observed	
32	Consumption of alcohol or use of non-prescription narcotic or illegal substances prohibited	Certified/Discussed	
33	Smoking or use of tobacco prohibited on premises/center vehicles	Certified/Discussed	
34	Bio-contaminants shall be stored in a labeled container and disposed of	Observed	

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Off-street loading/unloading provided	Observed	
2	Separate areas for children younger than 2	Observed	
3	Outdoor area adjoins or is safely accessible	Observed	
4	Outdoor play area and equipment are free of apparent hazardous conditions	Observed	
5	*Wheeled vehicles to sit on and maneuver - 2	Observed	
6	*Wheel vehicles to pull or push - 2	Observed	
7	*Balls-3	Observed	
8	*Climbing apparatus	Observed	
9	*Crawl-through equipment	Observed	
10	*Digging or sand area	Observed	
11	*Toys for digging	Observed	
12	Outdoor play area enclosed by a fence or wall at least 4 feet in height	Observed	
13	Fence or wall free of sharp edges	Observed	
14	Gates secured	Observed	
15	Shade and sun areas provided	Observed	
16	Outdoor play area free of apparent hazardous conditions:	Observed	
17	Concrete/asphalt not used under equipment	Certified/Discussed	
18	Area well-drained	Observed	
19	Equipment not designed to be portable, securely anchored	Observed	
20	Stairs/steps have handrails in child's reach	Observed	

15	Required ratios met as stated in the standards	Not applicable	
16	At least two staff at each wading structure within arms-length "touch supervision"	Not applicable	
17	Clean water provided each day	Not applicable	
18	Wading structure emptied when not in use	Not applicable	

Away from center activities (II.C.7)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Note: The Department of Human Resources does not inspect activities away from the center, including swimming and wading activities. The licensee shall assume full authority and responsibility for away from the center activities.	Certified/Discussed	

Child Care Program (II.D)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Required ratios maintained at all times	Certified/Discussed	
2	0 up to 18 months 1 to 5	Observed	
3	18 up to 2 years 1 to 7	Observed	
4	24 months to 36 months 1 to 8	Observed	
5	2 years up to 4 years 1 to 11	Observed	
6	4 years up to school age 1 to 18	Observed	
7	School age up to 8 years 1 to 21	Observed	

26	Staff free from other duties while working with the children	Observed	
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Infant/Toddler Program (I/D 2)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Encouraged to play with a variety of toys	Observed	
2	Time outdoors daily when weather permits	Certified/Discussed	
3	Freedom of movement outside cribs daily	Certified/Discussed	
4	Placed on tummy part of time while awake and observed	Observed	
5	Infants not seated for more than 15 minutes	Observed	
6	Staff talks to each child and encourages response	Observed	
7	Cries/signs of distress investigated immediately	Observed	
8	No screen time for children under 2 years of age	Certified/Discussed	
9	60 Minutes of physical activity full day/ 30 minutes half-day	Certified/Discussed	
10	Daily schedule posted that includes 60 minutes of physical activity (toddlers)	Observed	
11	Clean, dry diaper/clothing provided	Certified/Discussed	
12	Wet/soiled diapers/clothing changed promptly	Certified/Discussed	
13	Changing area cleaned and disinfected	Certified/Discussed	
14	No child left unattended while being diapered	Certified/Discussed	
15	No child diapered on the floor	Certified/Discussed	

31	For infants, clean bottom sheets daily or more often if needed, sheets fit snugly	Certified/Discussed	
32	Soft material prohibited in infant's sleeping environment, no pillows, quilts, comforters, etc.	Observed	
33	No infant put to sleep on sofa, soft mattress	Observed	
34	For toddlers, clean bottom sheets and top coverings weekly, more often if needed	Certified/Discussed	
35	Formula, food for infants if provided by center, planned with parent or physician	Not applicable	
36	If formula provided by center, ready to feed, properly stored and handled	Not applicable	
37	Bottles/food served according to parental request (microwaves not used for bottles)	Observed	
38	Meals and snacks comply with requirements	Observed	
39	Expressed human milk sent in container labeled with infant's full name/date, and specific written instructions on how to prepare, store, and use	Observed	
40	Infant formula for a breastfed infant should only be used with parental consent	Certified/Discussed	
41	Formula provided by parent, must be labeled, ready to feed, and refrigerated	Observed	
42	Small hard candies, nuts not served to children under 4 years old	Observed	
43	Foods that may cause choking prepared appropriately for the child	Certified/Discussed	

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Schedule posted that includes 60 minutes of active play	Observed	
2	Variety of indoor/outdoor activities that includes 60 minutes of active physical activity full day/30 minutes half-day	Certified/Discussed	
3	Time outdoors daily when weather permits for 60 to 90 minutes	Certified/Discussed	
4	Staff permit/encourage conversation among children	Observed	
5	Staff give individual attention to each child daily	Certified/Discussed	
6	Radio, TV, videos used only to supplement/enhance daily plan	Certified/Discussed	
7	No child required to watch TV or videos	Certified/Discussed	
8	Videos previewed by staff for appropriateness	Certified/Discussed	
9	Sexually explicit, violent, frightening materials prohibited	Certified/Discussed	
10	Screen time for 2 years old and older limited to 30 minutes for half day and 1 hour for full day	Certified/Discussed	
11	Staff recognize differing needs of children	Observed	
12	Rest period for children in attendance more than 5 hours	Observed	
13	Rest period at least 45 minutes, not more than 2 hours	Observed	
14	If a child does not sleep after 45 minutes, quiet activities permitted	Certified/Discussed	
15	Cots cleaned and clean bottom sheets and top sheet/covers provided	Certified/Discussed	

22	Children in attendance served breakfast or a.m. snack, lunch, p.m. snack	Observed	
23	Meals and snacks comply with USDA guidelines	Observed	
24	Fluid milk served, no powdered milk for drinking	Certified/Discussed	
25	No child deprived of meal or snack	Observed	
26	Special dietary needs in accordance with written instructions	Certified/Discussed	
27	Meals and snacks provided by the center	Observed	
28	Vending machines prohibited in areas used by children	Not applicable	
29	Small hard candies, nuts not served to children under four	Observed	
30	Foods that may cause choking prepared appropriately for the child	Certified/Discussed	
31	Portions of food suited to child's needs; second portions available	Observed	
32	Unbreakable or single-use cups or glasses or a drinking fountain provided for water	Observed	
33	Drinking water without added sweeteners or carbonation readily available throughout the day	Observed	
34	Food served on individual dishes or napkins, not directly on the table	Observed	
35	Children seated while eating	Observed	
36	No child forced or bribed to eat	Observed	
37	Children not allowed in the kitchen	Observed	

55	Parents provided with information on influenza annually	Observed	
56	Parents provided information on child development and children's health annually	Observed	
57	No ill child admitted	Certified/Discussed	
58	If a child becomes ill or is injured, he/she is separated from group, but continuously supervised	Certified/Discussed	
59	Parent of ill/injured child notified immediately and required to come for child	Certified/Discussed	
60	If parent cannot be reached or illness/injury severe, emergency medical attention shall be obtained	Certified/Discussed	
61	Parents notified of exposure to contagious disease/condition	Certified/Discussed	
62	Parents urged to notify center if a child is exposed to a contagious disease outside the center	Certified/Discussed	
63	Center reports contagious disease/condition to health department as required	Certified/Discussed	
64	Children with food allergies should have a written plan with required components that is available and known by the child's teacher	Certified/Discussed	
65	Does the center's staff give medication/medical procedures?	No	
66	Medication administered only with written authorization from parent and child's health professional	Certified/Discussed	
67	No blanket authorization forms for medication	Certified/Discussed	

Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (II.D.3.G.11.H)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Current and complete emergency plans and procedures submitted to the Department	Observed	
2	Fire	Observed	
3	Tornado	Observed	
4	Lockdown	Observed	
5	Relocation	Observed	
6	Available to all staff and employees	Observed	
7	Posted in a conspicuous place	Observed	
8	Copies provided to all parents/guardians	Certified/Discussed	

Transportation (II.E)

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1	NOTE: The Department of Human Resources does not inspect activities away from the center, including swimming and wading activities. The licensee shall assume full authority and responsibility for away from the center activities	Certified/Discussed	
2	Does the center's staff provide transportation?	Yes	
3	Transportation checklists used as required	Observed	
4	Designated staff complete and sign checklist	Observed	
5	Driver signs checklist, indicating he/she has checked each seat	Observed	

	<p>weighing less than 20</p> <p>pounds secured in rear</p> <p>facing child restraint,</p>		
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	good condition		
21	Each child under 5 years or weighing less than 40 pounds secured in forward facing child restraint, installed according to manufacturer's instructions, maintained in good condition	Certified/Discussed	
22	Each child under 6 years shall be properly secured in a booster seat which is properly anchored to the vehicle, installed according to manufacturer's instructions, maintained in good condition	Certified/Discussed	
23	Each child 6 and older, the driver, and each adult passenger secured in an individual seat belt, properly anchored to the vehicle	Observed	
24	Vehicle safety check done annually, signed by certified mechanic, dated, and filed in center	Observed	
25	Each child accompanied into and out of center	Observed	
26	Each child signed in and signed out with a written signature or bio-metric ID	Observed	
27	Any child who arrives by walking or bus, signed in by staff	Observed	

11	Records on file at time of employment	Observed	
12	Records on staff maintained at least two years after person has left	Certified/Discussed	
13	Records filed alphabetically	Observed	
14	Inactive files maintained separately	Observed	
15	Medical exam and TB test on file at time of employment	Observed	
16	Staff with symptoms of contagious disease/condition not in center	Certified/Discussed	

Character and Suitability (II.G.1)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Character and suitability review conducted on required person (every 5 years)	Observed	
2	Persons with determination of unsuitable character terminated	Certified/Discussed	
3	Licensee informs DHR of any criminal convictions or current charges	Certified/Discussed	

Administration (II.H)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Licensee assumes full authority and responsibility for meeting and maintaining Standards	Certified/Discussed	
2	Licensee provides operating funds	Certified/Discussed	

20	Interruption of the center's electrical, telephone or gas service	Certified/Discussed	
21	Any litigation involving the center	Certified/Discussed	
22	Any traffic accident involving day care children using transportation provided by the center	Certified/Discussed	
23	Any arrest of licensee, staff, employee, volunteer	Certified/Discussed	
24	Final disposition of any child abuse/neglect investigation involving licensee, staff, employee, volunteer	Certified/Discussed	
25	Any incident in which the health, welfare, or safety of a child is at risk	Certified/Discussed	
26	Any disastrous event	Certified/Discussed	
27	Child abuse/neglect reported as required by law	Certified/Discussed	
28	Licensee and all staff, employees, volunteers cooperate with DHR on any child abuse or neglect investigation	Certified/Discussed	
29	Total number of children in care, including children on the premises, children in transit, children on fieldtrips conforms to number specified	Observed	
30	Age range of children in care conforms to ages specified	Observed	
31	Requirements for drop-in care met	Not applicable	
32	Children's records and information about children and their families kept confidential	Observed	
33	Individual records on each child on file on first day of attendance	Observed	
34	Children's records	Certified/Discussed	

43	Most recent licensing evaluation	Observed	
44	Most recent deficiency report	Observed	
45	Corrective/adverse action notices	Not applicable	
46	Most recent fire inspection report within 5 years	Observed	
47	Most recent Health department inspection report and food permit or written permission for catering food	Observed	
48	Menu for meals and snacks/dated	Observed	
49	Fire department	Observed	
50	Law enforcement	Observed	
51	Medical assistance (ambulance or rescue)	Observed	
52	Poison control center	Observed	
53	Substitute help	Not applicable	
54	Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan	Observed	
55	Name of director/staff in charge	Observed	

Nighttime Centers (II.)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	Does the center provide care after 7:00 p.m.?	No	
2	Does the center provide care after midnight?	No	
3	In centers operating past midnight, cribs or cots fitted with a waterproof mattress shall be provided for each child	Not applicable	
4	In centers operating past midnight, there shall be at least one bathing facility for	Not applicable	

17	Lighting maintained so children are visible while sleeping	Not applicable	
18	Nightly activity schedule posted	Not applicable	
19	Outdoor time available during daylight hours	Not applicable	
20	Staff assist each child as needed, in dressing and grooming	Not applicable	
21	Breakfast served to children going directly to school	Not applicable	
22	Evening meal served to children in attendance	Not applicable	
23	Clean water provided for each child	Not applicable	
24	Each child bathed separately	Not applicable	
25	Each child supervised while bathing	Not applicable	
26	Individual soap, towel and washcloth provided for each child	Not applicable	

3. Classroom Checklist

Furnishings and equipment (II-C.8) - Checklist for Preschool (age 2 years to school age) - Four's (C103706)

S No.	Questions	Answer	Comments
1	*Easel	Not applicable	
2	*Non-toxic playdough or clay	Not applicable	
3	*Large non-toxic crayons/watercolor markers	Not applicable	
4	*Large sheets of paper	Not applicable	

27	*A device that plays a variety of age appropriate music	Not applicable	
28	*Rhythm instruments – 1 per child in group	Not applicable	
29	*Magnifying glass	Not applicable	
30	*Magnets	Not applicable	
31	*Nature collections	Not applicable	
32	*Measuring and pouring equipment	Not applicable	
33	Table space and chair for each child	Observed	
34	Cots, sheets, covers for each child	Observed	
35	Indoor thermometer (child safe)	Observed	
36	Written daily schedule posted with 60-90 minutes of active play	Observed	
37	Labeled storage space at child level	Observed	
38	Shelving for equipment and supplies/anchored	Observed	
39	Designated activity areas	Observed	
40	Electrical outlets covered	Observed	
41	Barriers around heaters, fans	Not applicable	
42	Hazardous substances locked	Observed	
43	Containers labeled	Observed	
44	Medication locked	Not applicable	
45	Screens on windows which are opened	Not applicable	
46	Lighting adequate	Observed	

22	*Dress-up clothes for boys and girls	Not applicable	
23	*Storage for dress-up clothes	Not applicable	
24	*Unbreakable mirror-full length	Not applicable	
25	*Toy telephones-2	Not applicable	
26	*Age Appropriate children's books-2 per child	Not applicable	
27	*A device that plays a variety of age appropriate music	Not applicable	
28	*Rhythm instruments – 1 per child in group	Not applicable	
29	*Magnifying glass	Not applicable	
30	*Magnets	Not applicable	
31	*Nature collections	Not applicable	
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43	Containers labeled	Observed	
44	Medication locked	Not applicable	

17	*Small table and chairs/benches	Not applicable	
18	*Cooking utensils/dishes (unbreakable)	Not applicable	
19	*Doll bed or cradle	Not applicable	
20	*Dolls (complete with all parts)-2	Not applicable	
21	*Doll clothes and blankets	Not applicable	
22	*Dress-up clothes for boys and girls	Not applicable	
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12	*Age appropriate puzzles-8 (complete with all pieces)	Not applicable	
13	*Interlocking manipulative play sets, different types-6	Not applicable	
14	*Matching games-6 (no more than 2 electronic)	Not applicable	
15	*Puppets-2	Not applicable	
16	*Child-size stove/sink (or combo)	Not applicable	
17	*Small table and chairs/benches	Not applicable	
18	*Cooking utensils/dishes (unbreakable)	Not applicable	
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34	Cots, sheets, covers for each child	Observed	

8	*Paint brushes four and 1 inch in width	Not applicable	
9	*Large/medium building blocks-app. 15 non-interlocking	Not applicable	
10	*Small building blocks-app. 100 non-interlocking	Not applicable	
11	*Small cars, trucks, boats, etc. - 6	Not applicable	
12	*Age appropriate puzzles-8 (complete with all pieces)	Not applicable	
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