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Date: 3/29/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:00 AM

Departure: 12:40 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation			Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient. Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
03/29/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/05/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/16/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	Room 1 Left	Infants and One Year Olds	2	4	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	Room 1 Right	PreK	1	19	C	18	NC	25	C	Outside
Main	Room 2 Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	17	NC	16	NC	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room 2 Right	PreK	2	20	C	26	C	37	C	Outside
Main	Room 3 Left	Three Year Olds	1	14	C	14	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room 4 Left	PreK	2	18	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 108

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 126

Total # Children this Date: 92

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 108

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 126

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	1 Left	15	C
Main	1 Right	30	C
Main	2 Left	25	C
Main	2 Right	45	C
Main	3 Left	25	C
Main	4 Left	35	C

Comments

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).



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Refutation Process:

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- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)

Ramona Stewart, Program Official

Date

Kati Cosby, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Comment

591-1-1-.03(2) - Reminder that all classrooms post lesson plans.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires the Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child. The Center cared for 17 children in a space that was licensed for 16 children, in classroom 2 Left.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be inaccessible to children. It was determined, based on consultant's observation, that unsafe storage of materials dangerous to children was observed as follows:

- brooms, dust pans and a plunger were accessible in the first classroom on the right
- unlocked storage closet containing purses, cleaner, lysol, brooms and comet were accessible in third classroom on the left.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the safe storage of hazardous items, the center will remove all hazards and store them in a locked closet or cabinet

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(4) - Discussed with Director to ensure all lattice is in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017**Comment**

591-1-1-.26(8) - Reminder to keep playground clean and free of debris

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper Diapering

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

Animals Clean/Appropriately Caged

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)1. requires that the first check be conducted immediately upon unloading the last child at any location including, but not limited to, a field trip destination, arrival at the Center, and the last stop during transportation to home or school. The responsible person on the vehicle will complete the following: (i) Physically walk through the entire vehicle; (ii) Visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; (iii) Sign the passenger transportation checklist (s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle; and (iv) Give the passenger transportation checklist(s) to the second designated Staff person.

It was determined based on review of records that during the week of March 13 through 16, 2017 there was no first check of the vehicle documented for the week.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that the responsible staff person checks the vehicle immediately upon unloading the last child at any location.

Correction Deadline: 3/30/2017

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. The second designated Staff person must complete the following: (i) Physically walk through the entire vehicle; (ii) Visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and (iii) Sign the passenger transportation checklist (s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle.

It was determined based on review of records that during the week of March 13-16 no second check was documented for the week.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that the second responsible staff person checks the vehicle immediately after the first check has been completed.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - Discussed cot storage with Director.

Correction Deadline: 3/30/2017

Staff Records

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

Staffing and Supervision

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision