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Date: 1/24/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:35 AM **Departure:** 12:50 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

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.
01/24/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/11/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
09/04/2019	Complaint Investigation & 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
Bldg 2	K4A		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Bldg 2	K4B		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Bldg 2	K4C		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 42						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		
Main	K3B		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	
Main	MiddleRoom5-12y		0	0	C	30	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room B1(Infants)	Infants	1	6	C	24	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play, Feeding
Main	RoomB2(Infants)	One Year Olds	2	9	C	28	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Flo or Play, Free Play
Main	RoomK1(ones)	One Year Olds	2	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	RoomK2(Twos)	Two Year Olds	2	20	C	28	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Centers
Main	RoomK3 A	Three Year Olds	2	19	C	28	C	NA	NA	Centers, Free Play
Main	RoomK4	Four Year Olds	2	21	C	29	C	NA	NA	Centers, Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 216						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 87		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 258				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Infant	63	C
Main	B(3-12yrs)	114	C

Comments

The Consultant reviewed and discussed the Compliance and Determination Worksheet on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/24/2020

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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.aspx>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at <http://gbi.georgia.gov> to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us.

- 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://dec.state.ga.us/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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

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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

Correction Deadline: 9/4/2019

Corrected on 1/24/2020

The correction was observed on this date. All children were engaged in appropriate activities in each classroom.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(8) requires toys for children under three years of age to be age-appropriate; non-toxic and lead-free; too large to be swallowed by a child and not capable of causing asphyxiation or strangulation; free of sharp pieces, edges or points; free of small parts which may be pried off by a child, free of rust; and easily cleaned with a disinfectant daily. It was determined based on Consultant observation that the toys were not cleaned with a disinfectant daily as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will provide age-appropriate toys and remove any toys that are not age-appropriate in each room housing children under three years of age. The Center will implement a plan to train Staff to regularly examine toys for the listed hazards and remove toys when hazards are identified and to clean toys with a disinfectant daily. Toys should be sanitized at least one time per week and disinfected daily.

Correction Deadline: 1/24/2020

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director to review children's files and ensure all the required information is present.

Correction Deadline: 1/24/2020

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2019

Corrected on 1/24/2020

The correction was observed on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children. Monitor walls and repaint as needed.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Technical Assistance

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute. The Director or designated person will ensure all large rocks are covered prior to children being present on the playground.

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure the broken basketball hoop is replaced or the screws covered before children are present on the playground. The Consultant discussed with the Director that threads on any equipment couldn't be longer than two threads or they were considered a hazard.

Correction Deadline: 1/24/2020

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

Comment

Animals maintained clean and appropriately caged.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/4/2019

Corrected on 1/24/2020

The correction was observed on this date. Appropriate disciplinary actions were observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/4/2019

Corrected on 1/24/2020

The correction was observed on this date. Redirection was observed on this date.

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

Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)3. requires that the driver or other designated person document in writing the time of arrival and departure each time the vehicle departs from the Center, is loaded or unloaded at each school and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle departs from the Center, arrives at the location where any child is picked up or dropped off and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle leaves the Center, arrives at a field trip destination, leaves a field trip destination, and returns to the Center. It was determined based on a review of records that the driver or other designated person didn't document in writing the time of load and unload/arrival or departure for the route to Mathews Elementary on January 10, 2020 and January 17, 2020.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that each time of arrival and departure is documented by the driver or designated person with training, review and monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2020

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) Met

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 13

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 08/23/2019

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 09/18/2008

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 11/03/2008

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 09/06/2019

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 05/28/2019

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 08/27/2019

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 06/09/2019

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 11/30/2018

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 03/04/2018

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 10/16/2017

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 11/06/2019

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 02/09/2016

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 06/06/2005

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director to audit first aid kits and ensure these items are present in each kit: scissors, tweezers, gauze pads, adhesive tape, thermometer, band-aids, assorted sizes, antibacterial ointment, insect-sting preparation, an antiseptic cleansing solution, triangular bandages, rubber gloves, protective eye wear, a protective face mask, and a cold pack. The first aid kit, together with a first aid instruction manual which must be kept with the kit at all times, shall be stored so that it is not accessible to children but is easily accessible to Staff.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2020

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 9/4/2019****Corrected on 1/24/2020**

The correction was observed on this date. All state ratios were met.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.