



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/19/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:20 PM

CCLC-36303

Cornerstone Children's Center

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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. |
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| 02/19/2018 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 09/05/2017 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 01/04/2017 | Licensing Study | 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 |
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| Main | A-INF COLTS | One Year Olds and Two Year Olds | 3 | 7 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | Free Play, Transitioning |
| Main | B-INF LAMBS | Infants | 3 | 5 | C | 15 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning, Floor Play |
| Main | C-1YR CUBS | One Year Olds | 3 | 7 | C | 13 | C | NA | NA | Free Play, Transitioning |
| Main | D-2YR OWLS | Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds | 2 | 9 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning, Art, Snack |
| Main | E-4-5 YRS HORSES | Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds | 1 | 7 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning, Outside |
| Main | F-3 YR BEARS | Three Year Olds | 2 | 3 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning, Free Play, Art |
| Main | G-3YRS-GAZELLES | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 2 | 5 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning, Free Play |
| Main | H-5-12YRS LIONS | Six Year Olds and Over | 2 | 8 | C | 22 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning, Outside, Free Play |
| Main | I-2YR SHEEP | | 0 | 0 | C | 10 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154 | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | |

Total # Children this Date: 51

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154

Total Capacity @25 sq.
ft.: 0

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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| Main | A-FR-0-4 YRS | 53 | C |
| Main | B-BK 5-12 YEARS | 63 | C |

Comments

The center director provided two files for employees hired since the last visit on this date.

The center does administer medications, and conduct transportation, and field trips.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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.al.ga.gov.

- 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.al.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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

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

Cassie Neal, Program Official

Date

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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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

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

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

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

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| 591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms | Met |
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Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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| 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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| 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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| Food Service |
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| 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition | Met |
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Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3

Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

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| Health and Hygiene |
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| 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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| 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) | Met |
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Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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| Safety |
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| 591-1-1-.05 Animals | Met |
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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| 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

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The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

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| Sleeping & Resting Equipment |
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| 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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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.

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| Staff Records |
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| Records Reviewed: 27 |
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| Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 |
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| Staff # 1 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 08/01/2013

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| Staff # 2 | Met |
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| Staff # 3 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 08/11/2017

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| Staff # 4 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 08/01/2012

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| Staff # 5 | Met |
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| Staff # 6 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 10/01/2014

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| Staff # 7 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 03/01/2013

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| Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 05/03/2017 | Met |
| Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 06/03/2013 | Met |
| Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 08/15/2016 | Met |
| Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 08/23/2017 | Met |
| Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 08/10/2015 | Met |
| Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 09/30/2013 | Met |
| Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 04/27/2016 | Met |
| Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 08/15/2016 | Met |
| Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 08/07/2017 | Met |
| Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 01/11/2016 | Met |
| Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 08/24/2015 | Met |
| Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 07/23/2013 | Met |
| Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 08/01/2013 | Met |
| Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 02/10/2017 | Met |
| Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 08/22/2016 | Met |

Records Reviewed: 27

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

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| Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 02/09/2017 | Met |
| Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 08/08/2016 | Met |
| Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 01/16/2018 | Met |
| Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 01/18/2018 | Met |
| Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 08/01/2013 | Met |

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 27

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided two file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

Comment

Complete kits observed in center and on vehicles.

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Comment

Staff comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

Correction Deadline: 2/19/2018

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.