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Cover Sheet

Date: 9/24/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 1:30 PM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
09/24/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/10/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/22/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing

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.

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	A (Ones & Twos)	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	4	13	C	24	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B (Twos & Threes)	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	11	C	24	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C (Fours & Fives)	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	10	C	25	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D (Threes & Fours)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E (Young Twos)	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	9	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	F (Threes & Fours)	Three Year Olds	2	10	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 127						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 66			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 127			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-LARGE	53	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on September 23, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 24, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/24/2021

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



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

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

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)

Jodi Sadler, Program Official

Date

Chrissy Miller, Consultant

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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 during the virtual inspection.

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

Met

Comment

Observed written parental permission for the children that participate in 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

591-1-1-.08(1) - Please ensure that the parent's business information and addresses for whom the child may be released are updated on the enrollment forms.

Correction Deadline: 9/24/2021

Facility

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

The center appeared clean and well maintained during the virtual inspection. Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Met

Comment

A virtual visit was completed due to COVID-19. The grass on the playground appeared to be well maintained. The consultant discussed daily monitoring of the playground and playground equipment to ensure that hazards are not present while children are present for care.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Technical Assistance

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://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15(7) - Please ensure that foods that are associated with young children's choking incidents, such as, but not limited to, peanuts, hot dogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, cheese cubes, grapes and any other food that is of similar shape and size of the trachea/windpipe shall not be served to the children less than four (4) years of age. Children older than four (4) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking.

Correction Deadline: 9/24/2021

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

The staff stated proper knowledge of hand washing procedures during the virtual inspection. The consultant also observed hand washing supplies at the sinks.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(1)(p) - Please use the template provided to update the center's written emergency plans to include communication and reunification with families, and continuity of operations. The plan must apply to all children in care and include specific accommodations for infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and children with chronic medical conditions and shall include assurance that no Center Personnel will impede in any way the delivery of emergency care or services to a child by licensed or certified emergency health care professionals.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2021**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(3) - Please use the document provided to update and document other safety drills.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2021

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting**Met****Comment**

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

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

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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: 20**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 06/06/2020

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 08/06/2013

Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 02/14/2020	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 01/13/2020	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 10/31/2017	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 07/26/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 09/02/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/06/2013	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 08/19/2019	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 08/10/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 10/14/2020	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 07/20/2018	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 01/02/2020	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 07/27/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 05/19/2021	Met

Records Reviewed: 20

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 18	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 05/28/2019	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 03/04/2021	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9

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.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required annual staff training for January 2020 to December 2020.

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

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios during the virtual inspection.

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

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date. A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.