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Cover Sheet

Date: 6/11/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 11:00 AM

Departure: 12:00 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.
06/11/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/22/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/24/2020	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	
Bldg 2	K4A	Four Year Olds	1	13	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
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	Three Year Olds	2	21	C	28	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Main	MiddleRoom5-12y	Six Year Olds and Over	1	15	C	30	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Main	Room B1(Infants)	Infants	2	6	C	24	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play,Nap	
Main	RoomB2(Infants)	Infants	1	4	C	28	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Main	RoomK1(ones)	One Year Olds	2	8	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Main	RoomK2(Twos)	Two Year Olds	2	20	C	28	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Main	RoomK3 A		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA		
Main	RoomK4	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	14	C	29	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 216						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 101		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



Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/11/2021

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)

Alexis Greene, Program Official

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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. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

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

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

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

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>

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Met**

Comment

Please ensure that all food items are stored in airtight containers.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures during the virtual visit that was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance

The Consultant reviewed each time children were required to wash hands: children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2021

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed. Staff stated that positive redirection was used as the preferred method of discipline if a child did not make a good choice.

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

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director. Ensure first aid kits are replenished and the fire extinguisher has been serviced.

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: 18**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: 06/12/2020	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 10/21/2017	

Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/27/2019	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 03/04/2018	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 10/16/2017	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 11/06/2019	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 02/10/2020	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 03/19/2019	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 11/17/2020	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director to review expiration dates for current staff and renew Criminal Record Checks that were due to expire prior to the expiration date as required.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Technical Assistance**Technical Assistance**

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR. The Consultant discussed with the Director that on-line only for First Aid and CPR were not accepted to meet the requirement for Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning and that the skills were required to be demonstrated with an approved trainer prior to certification being received.

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the Center was required to have a first aid kit in each building of the Center and in any vehicle used by the Center for transportation of children, that contains 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: 6/21/2021

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.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Comment

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