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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/15/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:45 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

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The Clifton School/The Clifton Site

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Quality Rated: No

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.
08/15/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/02/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/17/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

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	132 Holly	Two Year Olds	2	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	134 Mulberry	Two Year Olds	3	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	144 Red Bug	One Year Olds	3	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	146 Dogwood	One Year Olds	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	152 Maple	Three Year Olds	3	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	154 Sweet Gum	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	164 Willow	Three Year Olds	2	3	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	166 Laurel	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	175-Silver Bell	One Year Olds	2	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	176/Library	Four Year Olds	2	15	C	26	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	180 Birch	Four Year Olds	2	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	182 Chestnut	Four Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	186 Elm	Three Year Olds	2	17	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	188 Hickory	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	192 Oak	Three Year Olds	3	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	194 Cypress	Four Year Olds	2	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	A1-120 Fern	Infants	2	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	A2-122 VA Creepers	One Year Olds	2	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	A3-124 Primrose	Infants	2	4	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	A4-126 Lily	Infants	2	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 318

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant	24	C
Main	Older Toddler	70	C
Main	PS	136	C
Main	Young Toddlers	45	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/15/2022

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.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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 Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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.'



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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.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.06(4) requires a Center first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that remodel or add to existing plumbing facilities, to have the bathroom area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system and requires Centers without fully enclosed bathrooms to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It was determined based on observation that the vent in the PreK room bathroom was not functioning properly.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will fully enclose and ventilate bathroom areas, as required, and will provide adequate ventilation and sanitation in bathrooms that are not fully enclosed.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2022

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)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(12) requires heating and cooling equipment to be protected to prevent children from touching it. Fans, space heaters, etc. shall be positioned or installed so as to be inaccessible to the children. It was determined based on observation that two fans were accessible to children in the Maple room.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will re-position or re-install equipment, as needed, and will make all such equipment inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2022**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that ceiling tiles were missing in the Sweet Gum and Willow bathrooms.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2022

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that there were two broken toy boxes accessible to children on the large playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 8/25/2022

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**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment 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**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 78**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/19/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 07/02/2018	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 11/13/2018	
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2001	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 06/05/1989	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 07/02/2021	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 01/17/2013	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 02/10/2014	
Staff # 12	Met

Date of Hire: 10/22/2018

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/2010

Staff # 14 Met

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 08/02/2016

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 10/08/2019

Staff # 17 Met

Staff # 18 Met

Staff # 19 Met

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/2010

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 08/12/2013

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 04/26/2021

Staff # 23 Met

Date of Hire: 05/20/2002

Staff # 24 Met

Date of Hire: 05/28/2008

Staff # 25 Met

Date of Hire: 08/30/2004

Staff # 26 Met

Date of Hire: 05/21/2007

Staff # 27 Met

Date of Hire: 09/05/2017

Staff # 28 Met

Staff # 29 Met

Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 10/05/2006	Met
Staff # 31	Met
Staff # 32 Date of Hire: 10/23/1995	Met
Staff # 33 Date of Hire: 02/17/2003	Met
Staff # 34	Met
Staff # 35 Date of Hire: 08/04/2021	Met
Staff # 36	Met
Staff # 37	Met
Staff # 38	Met
Staff # 39 Date of Hire: 11/04/2016	Met
Staff # 40	Met
Staff # 41 Date of Hire: 02/22/2016	Met
Staff # 42 Date of Hire: 06/16/2014	Met
Staff # 43	Met
Staff # 44	Met
Staff # 45	Met
Staff # 46	Met
Staff # 47 Date of Hire: 12/06/2021	Met
Staff # 48 Date of Hire: 03/18/2002	Met

Staff # 49	Met
Staff # 50	Met
Staff # 51	Met
Date of Hire: 06/22/2016	
Staff # 52	Met
Date of Hire: 09/12/2019	
Staff # 53	Met
Staff # 54	Met
Date of Hire: 01/31/2022	
Staff # 55	Met
Date of Hire: 11/09/2020	
Staff # 56	Met
Date of Hire: 10/08/2018	
Staff # 57	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2013	
Staff # 58	Met
Staff # 59	Met
Date of Hire: 12/02/2015	
Staff # 60	Met
Date of Hire: 09/25/2019	
Staff # 61	Met
Date of Hire: 01/14/2013	
Staff # 62	Met
Staff # 63	Met
Date of Hire: 03/01/2021	
Staff # 64	Met
Date of Hire: 09/03/2002	
Staff # 65	Met
Date of Hire: 04/09/2018	

Records Reviewed: 78

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 66 Date of Hire: 07/28/2021	Met
Staff # 67	Met
Staff # 68 Date of Hire: 09/03/2013	Met
Staff # 69 Date of Hire: 10/07/2019	Met
Staff # 70 Date of Hire: 03/20/2006	Met
Staff # 71	Met
Staff # 72 Date of Hire: 05/29/2008	Met
Staff # 73 Date of Hire: 05/20/1996	Met
Staff # 74	Met
Staff # 75 Date of Hire: 04/19/2021	Met
Staff # 76 Date of Hire: 08/18/1989	Met
Staff # 77	Met
Staff # 78 Date of Hire: 01/20/2021	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 30

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.