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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.
02/07/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/27/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/17/2016	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
Main	A-School Age	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	17	C	32	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Rm. B	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	13	C	30	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	Rm.C		0	0	C	24	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 72			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building capacity limited by Playground Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 30		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 72			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	24	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/07/2017

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).



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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@decal.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://decal.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)

Deanna Hall, Program Official

Date

Morgan Stahl, Consultant

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-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Please ensure schedules are posted in each classroom.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2017

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

591-1-1-.23 Parental Authorization

Met

Comment

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2016

Corrected on 2/7/2017

.25(13) - Hazardous materials observed stored inaccessible to children.

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

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that there was a four inch gap in the fence on the left upper side of the playground where a fencing board was missing. Additionally, there were multiple boards on the back side and the front right side of the playground fence that were splintering on the bottom of the fence boards.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2017**Recited on 2/7/2017**

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.15(7) prohibits the serving of peanuts, hotdogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, and grapes to children under three years of age. Children older than three (3) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking. Foods and drinks with little or no nutritional value, i.e., sweets, soft drinks, etc. shall be served only on special occasions and only in addition to the required nutritious meals and snacks. Powdered nonfat dry milk shall only be used for cooking purposes. It was determined based on observation that two-year-old children were served hotdogs for lunch on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff and monitor food served to children to ensure that the food does not present a choking hazard. The Center will only serve food and drinks with little or no nutritional value except for special occasions and in addition to the required nutritious meals and snacks. The Center will limit the use of powdered nonfat dry milk for cooking only.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

Diapering requirements discussed

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

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License**Met****Comment**

2017 license observed.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2017

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

Comment

Consultant observed documentation of monthly drills.

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2017

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

Met

Comment

No Field Trips at This Time

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center. It was determined based on review of records that there was no documentation of children exiting the vehicle following routine afternoon transportation from Van Wert Elementary School on February 3, 2017. Further, there was no documentation of children exiting the vehicle following routine afternoon transportation from East Side Elementary School on February 6, 2017.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2017

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. The second designated Staff person must complete the following: (i) Physically walk through the entire vehicle; (ii) Visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and (iii) Sign the passenger transportation checklist (s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. It was determined based on review of records that there was no documentation of a second check of the vehicle following routine transportation from East Side Elementary School on February 6, 2017.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that the second responsible staff person checks the vehicle immediately after the first check has been completed.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2017

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Records check determination observed for all staff on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2017

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

Met

Comment

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

Comment

Observed-Center/Vehicle Kits Complete

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(5) requires ten clock hours of annual training for supervisory and caregiver Staff, except for independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers, in the subjects of early childhood education, child development or subjects related to the position. It was determined based on review of records that annual training was not completed for 2016.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of ongoing training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2017

Recited on 2/7/2017

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2017

Recited on 1/1/0001

Corrected on 2/7/2017

Correction observed.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Discussed-Combining Mixed Ages

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision