



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/18/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 8:20 AM

Departure: 10:50 AM

CCLC-2252

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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.
07/18/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/15/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/02/2017	Monitoring Visit	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	Back Right	Infants	1	1	C	5	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Far left	Three Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	5	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Front Classroom	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	3	C	24	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Front Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	5	C	5	C	NA	NA	Free Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 48

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 14

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 48

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	39	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/18/2017

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- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

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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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Paula McGhee, Program Official

Date

Ashley Cunningham, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2017

Corrected on 7/18/2017

.08(a)-(f) - Previous citation observed to be corrected.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that hazardous items were kept underneath a unlock changing table in the front right class room. The consultant observed a staff purse and a can of Degree antiperspirant spray.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2017

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

Discussed locks on the shed.

Comment

Observation-Clean/Good Repair

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 the front left playground was not fully enclosed.

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: 7/18/2017

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

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures

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

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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

No Routine Transportation Provided

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

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

Comment

Two staff hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety training at the time of employment that will count toward required annual training: Staff employed prior to September 30, 2016 will complete the training by December 29, 2016 and Staff employed after September 30, 2016 will complete the health and safety training within the first 90 days of employment. It was determined based on observation of staff files that two staff did not have evidence of having completed health and safety orientation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates.

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2017

Correction Deadline: 6/14/2017

Corrected on 7/18/2017

.33(5) - Previous citation corrected in that staff is still within timeframe to complete 10 hours for 2017.

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

Met

Comment

Staff in compliance

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios