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Compliance Zone Designation		
08/01/2017	Initial 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- 1's	One Year Olds	2	9	C	9	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	B- 2's	Two Year Olds	3	22	C	24	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	C		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	D		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	E - 3's & 4's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	F- 3's & 4's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	14	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 65					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 52			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 65			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- Toddlers	9	C
Main	B -2's, 3's & 4's	135	C
Main	Covered Deck	0	C

Comments

PTO granted this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/01/2017

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- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
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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.

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)

Nancy Cruz, Program Official

Date

Jennifer Salies, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Throughout Center.

Comment

591-1-1-.12(4) Equipment observed to be free of hazards and properly secured.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2017

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

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met.

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

Met

Comment

Observation-No Hazards Accessible.

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 consultant observation that a hazard existed in that there was a gap measuring five (5) inches on the bottom of the gate on playground A.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will readjust the gate to ensure the gap measures less than three and a half (3-1/2) inches and routinely check the gate on a routine basis.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2017

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on consultant's observation that a hazard existed in that there were active ant mounds on playground B.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will contact the pest control and routinely check for ants.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2017

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-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand.

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

Comment

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures.

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.16(c) prohibits the operation of a Child Care Learning Center without a License or Permit. A separate License or Permit is required for each address or location at which a Center is proposed to be operated even when all of the proposed Centers are owned by the same person or entity. A separate License or Permit is also required for each Center operated at a single location by the same governing body. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the center was operating without a license.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center received permission to operate on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2017

Safety

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

Comment

Observed-Positive Learning Environment.

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

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided, only field trips. Consultant did not observe the bus as it was at another site location. Consultant viewed vehicle inspection form and first-aid/cpr's for all staff and training documentation.

Comment

Observed-Complete Documentation on field trip dated July 18, 2017 this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Center is not licensed to serve infants.

Comment

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment.

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete.

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

Met

Comment

All lead staff were observed to meet the lead teacher credential.

Comment

591-1-1-.31(13) Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2017

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios.

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

Met

Comment

A Supervision Plan was created this date for the bathrooms located in the hall way as well as for classrooms B, E, F due to the shapes of the rooms.

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.