



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/5/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 4:15 PM **Departure:** 6:00 PM

CCLC-17661

Meadowdale Learning Center - Houston Lake Road

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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.
05/05/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/22/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
01/14/2021	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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 Pre-K 2	PreK	2	19	C	33	C	46	C	Art
Main	B Pre-K 1	PreK	2	19	C	18	NC	NA	NA	Music
Main	C (3 Year Olds)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	D (3 Year Olds)	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	E (2 Year Olds)	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	F (1 Year Olds)	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch, Nap
Main	G (Infants)	Infants	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play, Diapering
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:						134	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		147	
Total # Children this Date: 98			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			134	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:			147

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant/Toddler Playground	17	C
Main	Large Playground	171	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on May 5, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on May 5, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 1, 2021 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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/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

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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

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

Chandra Cordova, Program Official

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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured on this date.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.
An Administrative Review was completed on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic.

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.
An Administrative Review was completed on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

Comment

A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met****Comment**

Program observed complete emergency drills
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic.

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**Met****Comment**

Observed all required posted notices.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due COVID-19 Pandemic.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting**Met****Comment**

Thank you for reporting as required for your annual inspection.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date.

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)**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 transportation records that on Thursday April 22 and Friday April 23, 2021, during the afternoon drop-off from the elementary school to the daycare on Van #2 with tag number CJ1294, one out of sixteen children was missing a mark to account for the child exiting the van. It was further determined that on Friday April 23, 2021, during the afternoon pick-up from the elementary school on Van #2 with tag number CJ1294, one out of sixteen children was missing a mark to account for the child loading the van.

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: 5/6/2021

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 26

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 11/09/2016	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 11/20/2020	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 10/22/2020	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 05/18/1998	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 08/14/2018	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 08/03/2017	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 10/07/2020	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 01/24/2017	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 07/25/2019	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 09/05/2017	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 04/23/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 02/26/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 08/13/2020	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 01/29/2007	Met

Records Reviewed: 26**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 01/02/2020	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 11/09/2018	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 03/01/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 01/19/2017	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 03/04/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 11/20/2019	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 05/03/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 01/12/2021	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 01/25/2021	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 05/10/2017	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 09/25/2018	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 06/04/1990	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 11

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.
An Administrative Review was completed on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.
An Administrative Review was completed on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.
An Administrative Review was completed on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required annual staff training for the year 2021.
An Administrative Review was completed on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.
Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 1, 2021.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.
A virtual visit was conducted on this date due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(7) - Consultant and Director discussed the importance of Staff being attentive and sitting with children ages thirty-six months and younger.

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2021