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Date: 10/8/2019 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:10 AM **Departure:** 12:40 PM

CCLC-2547

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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.
10/08/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/10/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/01/2018	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	1st Left	Three Year Olds	1	8	C	28	C	39	C	Outside
Main	1st Right		0	0	C	30	C	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Left		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Right	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	3rd Right	One Year Olds	1	5	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 100						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 111				
Total # Children this Date: 18			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 100			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 111				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- Back Right Playground	13	C
Main	PG- Large	85	C
Main	PG-Right Front Playground	11	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/08/2019

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.decal.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

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)



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.decal.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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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)

Not Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2019

Corrected on 10/8/2019

.12(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that equipment and furniture were observed to be free of hazardous conditions and in good repair on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.12(3) requires that equipment and furniture be placed so as to permit the children's freedom of movement and to minimize danger of accident and collision. It was determined, based on observation, that chairs were observed stacked on the tables in the 1st Left Classroom, which pose a tipping hazard, on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will re-position the identified equipment and/or furniture and the director will view each classroom to verify appropriate make changes, as needed, and have a system to monitor these items.

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2019

Recited on 10/8/2019

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met
Child # 7	Met
Child # 8	Met
Child # 9	Met
Child # 10	Met

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2019

Corrected on 10/8/2019

.08(1) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the Center had a file for each enrolled child on this date. Ten of ten children's files reviewed contained all required information on this date.

Facility

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(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 the following potential hazards were observed:

- 1st Left Classroom: Two plastic bags were observed accessible to children in children's cubbies on this date.
- Boys' Bathroom – Hall: A plunger was observed accessible to children under the left sink on this date.
- Girls' Bathroom – Hall: A toilet brush was observed accessible to children under the right sink on this date. A toilet brush was also observed accessible to children in an unsecured cabinet under the sinks on this date.

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: 10/8/2019

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(8) - The consultant discussed with the director to ensure electrical outlets within children's reach are covered at all times on this date.

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2019

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

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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) **N/A**

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.21(3) requires that the Center conduct drills for fire, tornado and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Center shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined, based on review of records, that the Center was lacking documentation for conducting tornado and lockdown drills from January 2018 through September 2019 which are required every six months.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hold the drills as required and keep the documentation of the drills on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2019

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **N/A**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete for the field trip taken on July 26, 2019 to Skateland of Augusta.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 11**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2005

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 03/23/2015

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 01/03/2018

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 03/25/2019

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 11/01/2000

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 06/08/2001

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 05/18/2005

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 07/26/2019

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 06/10/2019

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 04/12/2001

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 08/15/2019

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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.