



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334**

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Date: 5/1/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:25 AM **Departure:** 11:20 AM

CCLC-3364

Mount Zion Day Care Center

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Quality Rated: No

| 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. |
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| 05/01/2018 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 11/02/2017 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 03/15/2017 | 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 | 3-12 year old | 2 | 13 | C | 17 | C | 24 | C | Transitioning, Breakfast | |
| Main | B | 1-2 years | 2 | 17 | C | 17 | C | NA | NA | | Transitioning |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 34 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | | 41 | | |
| Total # Children this Date: | | | 30 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 34 | | |
| | | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | | 41 | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | Playground | 25 | C |

Comments

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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).

Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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@decals.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://decals.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). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decals.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@decals.ga.gov

Willie Mae Lewis, Program Official

Date

Cresia Jackson, Consultant

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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

Consultant discussed with director maintaining current lesson plans.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

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

Met

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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)

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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 that the fence on the left side was very loose and not securely tightened,.

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: 6/4/2018

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined that the children did not wash their hands upon re-entering the child care area after outside play.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on required handwashing for children and Staff will ensure children's hands are washed when required. The Director will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2018

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

Per director no medication is dispensed here.

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

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

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 11/3/2017****Corrected on 5/1/2018****This citation was observed to be correct on this date.****Correction Deadline: 11/2/2017****Corrected on 5/1/2018****This citation was observed to be correct on this date.**

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

Please ensure that cribs/cots are labeled for individual use.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 8**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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|--------------------------|-----|
| Staff # 1 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 12/01/2015 | |
| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/16/2017 | |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 05/30/2016 | |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 04/15/2015 | |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 02/05/1980 | |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 02/01/2016 | |
| Staff # 7 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/01/2016 | |
| Staff # 8 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/01/1990 | |

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Met****Comment**

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.