



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/11/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 1:00 PM **Departure:** 2:15 PM

CCLC-37734

Discovery Montessori School

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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. |
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| 01/11/2018 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 08/24/2017 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 01/17/2017 | 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 | A (Right) | | 0 | 0 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| Main | B (Middle) | Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over | 1 | 5 | C | 17 | C | NA | NA | Centers,Art |
| Main | C (Left) | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 2 | 14 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Nap,Centers |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 67 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 19 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 67 | | | | | | | |
| | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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| Main | Playground A | 57 | C |
| Main | Playground B | 27 | C |

Comments

This Monitoring Visit is the first regulatory visit for Discovery Montessori School this 2017 - 2018 fiscal year.

The provider stated no medication is administered, no field trips or routine transportation is provided.

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@dec.al.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://dec.al.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.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov

Christina Germano, Program Official

Date

Connie Boatright, Consultant

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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-.03 Activities

Met

Comment

The consultant observed a variety of age appropriate activities through out the center.

Correction Deadline: 1/11/2018

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.

Children's Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2017

Corrected on 1/11/2018

.08(1) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected on this date.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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| 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2017

Corrected on 1/11/2018

.25(13) - The previous citation is observed to be corrected on this date.

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| 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The consultant stated no medications are administered.

Correction Deadline: 1/11/2018

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| Safety |
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| 591-1-1-.05 Animals | Met |
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

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

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| 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 4**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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| Staff # 1 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/30/2018 | |
| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/01/2014 | |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 02/07/2017 | |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 06/16/1999 | |

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4

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

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Defer****Defer**

591-1-1-.33(6)-

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 9/23/2017

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**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

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