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Date: 11/9/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 11:30 AM **Departure:** 4:30 PM

CCLC-38318

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
11/09/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/10/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
04/23/2019	Complaint Closure	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- Front Entrance	One Year Olds	1	3	C	5	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B- Front left		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C- Down Rear left	Infants	1	4	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D- Down -Rear Right	Two Year Olds	1	4	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E-Upstairs Left	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	18	C	25	C	Nap
Main	F- Mid Front- Upstairs	Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	C	23	C	32	C	Homework
Main	G-Upstairs Right	PreK	2	10	C	28	C	NA	NA	Music
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 99						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Playground Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 39			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 99			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- Hard Surface (Riding area/school age)	7	C
Main	All	26	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on October 27, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on November 9, 2020 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 12, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Continue to adhere to the Executive Order issued August 15, 2020.
Core rule changes were discussed during the exit conference.

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

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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

A Virtual visit was conducted and the equipment and furniture was observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

N/A

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through there was no pool observed on the property.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual visit was conducted and the licensed capacity was observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/10/2020

Corrected on 11/9/2020

.25(11) - Consultant observed the floors in the A- Front entrance classroom to be replaced, smooth and able to be cleaned properly as required.

Correction Deadline: 1/3/2020

Corrected on 11/9/2020

.25(3) - Consultant observed the carpet in the facility to be clean and free from stains.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the playground area was observed and appeared to be in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date. During the virtual walk through the diapering was discussed and the Director displayed proper knowledge of the rules and regulations.

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

Met

Comment

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements were discussed with the Director on this date. Liquid soap and paper towels were observed accessible in the restroom area.

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

N/A

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Per the Director medication was not dispensed.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

N/A

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-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Comment

An administrative review was completed. Documentation of transportation observed and completed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through SIDS and infant sleeping position was discussed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 26

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 06/01/2015	
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met

Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 06/01/2015	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 08/01/2015	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 06/01/2015	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20	Met
Staff # 21	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 06/01/2015	Met
Staff # 23	Met
Staff # 24	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 06/01/2015	Met
Staff # 26	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed 16 of 16 Center Staff to have valid Satisfactory Comprehensive Criminal Records Check Determination letters issued by the Department as required.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/13/2019

Corrected on 11/9/2020

.31(2)(b)2. - Consultant observed educational credentials for lead teachers as required.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through appropriate ratios were observed.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through adequate supervision was observed.