



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/10/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 11:00 AM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
09/10/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing
01/20/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/01/2020	Licensing Study	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	1L (3years)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	7	C	17	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Transitioning
Main	1R (3years)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	2L (4years)	Three Year Olds	2	14	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	2R (3years)		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 71						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 36			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 71			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	64	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on September 10, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 13, 2021 with the Ashley Vaughn. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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).



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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 variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center during a virtual visit on September 13, 2021.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms **Met**

Comment

The bathrooms were observed to be clean and well maintained during a virtual visit on September 13, 2021.

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

Comment

Licensed capacity was observed met by center during a virtual visit on September 13, 2021.

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

Comment

No hazards were observed accessible to children during a virtual walk through on September 13, 2021.

Comment

The center appeared clean and well maintained during a virtual visit on September 13, 2021.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The grass and equipment on the playground appeared to be well maintained. The consultant discussed daily monitoring of the playground and playground equipment to ensure that hazards are not present while children are present for care.

Comment

Discussed fluffing and redistributing resilient surfacing during the virtual visit on September 13, 2021.

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Met**

Comment

The kitchen appeared clean and well organized during a virtual walk through on September 13, 2021.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) **Not Evaluated**

Comment

No children enrolled who require diapering. The center is a Head Start program and serves preschool age children.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing was observed during the virtual walk through on September 13, 2021. Hand washing supplies were observed, and hand washing practices were discussed on this date.

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 **Met**

Comment

591-1-1-.21(1)(p) - A complete Emergency Preparedness Plan was observed during the review process.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2021

Comment

A complete emergency drill log was observed for the current school year. The program was observed to be conducting fire, tornado, and lock down drills as required.

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. Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment during the virtual visit. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed during the the virtual walk through.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed during a virtual visit on September 13, 2021. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed on this date.

Staff Records

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

Staff # 1	Met
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Date of Hire: 01/02/2019

Staff # 2	Met
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Date of Hire: 09/10/2014

Staff # 3	Met
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Date of Hire: 09/29/2020

Staff # 4	Met
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Date of Hire: 07/23/2007

Staff # 5	Met
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Date of Hire: 01/02/2019

Staff # 6	Met
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Records Reviewed: 11

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 01/14/2020

Staff # 7

Met

Date of Hire: 07/30/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 11/22/2019

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 11/26/2018

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 07/31/2018

Staff # 11

Met

Date of Hire: 12/05/2019

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided one file for employees hired since last visit.

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

Met

Comment

Complete first aid kit observed in center during the virtual visit on September 13, 2021.

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

Appropriate staff:child ratios were observed in all classrooms during a virtual visit on September 13, 2021.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs during a virtual visit on September 13, 2021.