



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/25/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-45812

The Magnolia School & Child Care Center #3

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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.
01/25/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
11/23/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/24/2021	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	

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- 1st Left	Infants and Two Year Olds	1	10	C	31	C	NA	NA	Nap,Lunch
Main	B- 2nd Left	One Year Olds	2	10	C	31	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-3rd Left	Infants	1	6	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding
Main	D-Back		0	0	C	61	C	86	C	Not In Use
Main	E-2nd Rt	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	13	C	38	C	53	C	Lunch,Nap
Main	F-1st Rt	GA PreK	2	17	C	32	C	44	C	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 208					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 260					
Total # Children this Date: 56			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 208			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 260				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Front LF Playground	27	C
Main	B	35	C
Main	C-Back RT	46	C
Main	D-Front RT	43	C

Comments

Background checks were all reviewed on January 25th, 2022.. An in person inspection was conducted on January 25th, 2022 with the Director.

The Consultant requests the provider to sign and date the report in two areas and return to back to the consultant after the report is reviewed and signed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/25/2022

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



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

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

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.



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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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.03(6) requires Center Staff to ensure children less than three years of age do not spend more than one-half hour of time consecutively in confining equipment, such as swings, highchairs, jump seats, carriers or walkers. Children shall use such equipment only when they are awake. Such children shall be allowed time to play on the floor daily. Infants shall have supervised tummy time on the floor daily when they are awake. It was determined based on observation that a child less than three years of age was left confined in a highchair in Classroom A for forty (40) minutes consecutively.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to use confining equipment appropriately, to provide supervised floor play daily for children under three years of age, including infants, and will monitor regularly.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the subsequent hazardous conditions existed in the following rooms:

Classroom A :

- * The left wall, when entering the classroom, had areas of peeling paint towards the back of the classroom.
- * A newel cap was missing from the top of a newel post leaving sharp metal edges exposed.
- * There were rail room dividers with spindle gaps more than 3.5 inches placed throughout the classroom posing a potential entrapment hazard.
- * There was a broken spindle in one of the rail room dividers creating a seven (7) inch gap posing a potential entrapment hazard.

Classroom B:

- * There were rail room dividers with spindle gaps more than 3.5 inches placed throughout the classroom posing a potential entrapment hazard.

Classroom E

- * The metal soap dispenser in the bathroom had a nickel sized hole on the top of the dispenser exposing sharp edges creating a hazard.

Classroom F:

- * The metal soap dispenser in the bathroom had a nickel sized hole on the top of the dispenser exposing sharp edges creating a hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment, walls and floors mentioned about will be repaired immediately. The provider will send pictures to the Consultant once each items is corrected. During the wait time of receiving a new diapering pad, please insure to seal the torn area with duct tape.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022

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

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.06(7) - Discussed with Center Staff to ensure bathrooms are cleaned daily with a disinfectant and to please monitor bathrooms for necessary supplies.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022

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 hazards were observed to be accessible to children receiving care on this date:

Classroom B:

- One bottle of hand sanitizer on the teacher's desk.
- One bottle of Aveeno lotion on the teacher's desk
- Four diaper rash ointments in open diaper cubbies.

Classroom E:

- One bottle of liquid hand soap

All items contained the label "Keep Out of Reach of Children."

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. Soap used by children should not state keep out of reach of children such as but not limited to, the soft soap brand.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) - Discussed with provider to ensure areas surrounding center and playground premises are kept clean and free of debris.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022

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

591-1-1-.26(9) - Discussed with the provider that the playground is to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots, broken toys, and exposed sharp edges of concrete.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that the diaper changing pad in Classroom A was torn exposing foam creating a porous surface.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on observation that the crib sheets throughout Classroom C were not tight-fitting.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022**Staff Records**

Records Reviewed: 10**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 11/02/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2016	
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 05/24/2021	
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 06/30/2016

Staff # 8 Met

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 09/03/2021

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 01/14/2020

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

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

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) Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtime, nap time, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtime and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. It was determined based on observation that two children under the age of thirty-six (36) months in Classroom "A " were left unsupervised during mealtime while the staff member assisted the other children in the classroom with nap time preparation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2022