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Date: 5/5/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:25 AM **Departure:** 12:50 PM

CCLC-52747

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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.
05/05/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/08/2020	Initial 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
Preschool Main	A	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap
Preschool Main	B	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	13	C	26	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning
Preschool Main	C	Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	C	26	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Preschool Main	D	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	C	26	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Preschool Main	E		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 117			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 47			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Preschool Main	Playground A	108	C

Comments

An in-person visit was conducted on this date. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 1, 2021 was reviewed during the visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/06/2021

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/RuleAndRegulations.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

Susan Wilson, Program Official

Date

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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-.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) N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2020

Corrected on 5/5/2021

.06(4) - This citation was corrected on this date. The program has an approved variance on file for this rule.

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) Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(8) - The consultant spoke with the Director about redistributing the mulch on the playground to ensure that all swings have at least six-inches of mulch under them before the children have access to them. The children had not used the playground this week due to severe weather in the area.

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2021

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15(6)(a) requires the Center to serve all scheduled meals and snacks to children when they are present. In those Centers where the Parent(s) of children enrolled provide the meals and snacks, the Center shall ensure that no child remains at the Center without receiving the scheduled nutritious meals and snacks. There shall be a period of at least two (2) hours between each required meal or snack. The following meals and snacks shall be scheduled and served by the Center when appropriate: breakfast or morning snack, lunch, an afternoon snack, supper during evening care, and evening snack prior to bedtime, if the Center provides night-time care.

The consultant spoke with the provider about ensuring that meals provided by parents nourishing and safe for the individual child. The consultant spoke with the Director about ensuring that all children receive meals and snacks that meet the required nutritional components as described in the USDA meal pattern guidelines.

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2021

Health and Hygiene

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

This rule was not evaluated. The program does not currently provide care for diaper children.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2020

Corrected on 5/5/2021

.17(7) - This citation was corrected on this date. The center has a current variance on file for this rule.

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

N/A

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-.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)

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2020

Corrected on 5/5/2021

.30(1)(b)1 - This citation was corrected on this date. The consultant observed appropriate mats for all classrooms that were in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4). requires that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags.

The consultant spoke with the Director about ensuring that children's bedding is kept separate and does not touch another child's bedding during storage. The consultant spoke with the Director about removing the bedding during storage or storing the mats in a way to ensure the mats don't touch if the program decides to keep the bedding on the mats during storage.

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2021

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 10/08/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 10/08/2020	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 10/08/2020	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 10/08/2020	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 10/08/2020	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 10/08/2020	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 10/08/2020	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during an in-person visit on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 1, 2021.

Staffing and Supervision**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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, mealtimes, naptime, 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, volunteers and Students-in-Training. 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, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes 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 thirteen children in classroom B were briefly left unsupervised when a staff member walked into the hallway to get nap mats for the children and walked back into the classroom.

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.

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