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Date: 4/15/2019 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:25 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

CCLC-9126

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
04/15/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
10/09/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/06/2018	Monitoring Visit	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	Rm A	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	Rm B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	12	C	17	C	Outside
Main	Rm C	Two Year Olds	1	6	C	6	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 28						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 33				
Total # Children this Date: 21			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 28			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 33				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a monitoring visit and a follow up for any previous rule citations. The center does not provide transportation but is looking to do a field trip in May. The consultant discussed and left the field trip paperwork with the director during the visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/15/2019

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/Regulations.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

Glenda Lewis, Program Official

Date

Beth Houtz, 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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based on observation that the purple shelf in the three-year-old class room was of a size and height that presented a tipping hazard and was not secured to the wall and presented a hazard to children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the identified equipment or furniture and any other such existing or future items are secured adequately and will have a system for checking these for stability.

Correction Deadline: 4/15/2019

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/9/2018

Corrected on 4/15/2019

.19(1) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The correct capacity was observed in each classroom.

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

591-1-1-.25(11) - The consultant observed the vinyl flooring in the three-year-old classroom to have two areas where the vinyl was worn down and missing. Beneath the vinyl was concrete flooring. In the short term the director will monitor the areas to ensure they do not pose a tripping hazard to children in care. In the long term the director will look at repairing, removing, or replacing the vinyl floor in the effected area.

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2019

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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 all four corners of the changing table were cracked and had sharp edges that posed a hazard to children in care.

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: 4/15/2019

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)2 - The consultant discussed with the director about labeling the cribs with each child's name who is assigned to that crib.

Correction Deadline: 4/15/2019

Correction Deadline: 10/9/2018

Corrected on 4/15/2019

.30(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No objects were observed in the cribs.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 02/01/2019	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 01/21/2003	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 04/10/2003	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 01/23/2003	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 01/21/2003	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 02/20/2006	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 01/24/2019	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided two file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/19/2018

Corrected on 4/15/2019

.33(3) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All current staff past the initial 90 day period have completed the Health and Safety training.

Correction Deadline: 11/8/2018

Corrected on 4/15/2019

.33(5) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The cook has completed the required 4 hr of nutrition training.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2018

Corrected on 4/15/2019

.31(2)(b)2. - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All staff have enrolled in a CDA training program and have completed the 120 hours of training. They are awaiting their observation visit.

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)

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.