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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/16/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:30 AM **Departure:** 11:55 AM

CCLC-35766

A+ Preparatory Learning Academy

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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.
08/16/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/16/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/18/2021	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	1R-Freshman III	Infants	2	8	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	1st L Infants		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	2nd R Sophmores II	One Year Olds	2	9	C	16	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	3rd L E-SophmoresIII	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	3rd R Pre-K	Two Year Olds	2	19	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	4th L-Sophmores IV	Four Year Olds	1	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	4th R Junior I	PreK	2	21	C	20	NC	NA	NA	Centers
Main	5L Kindergarten	Five Year Olds	1	15	C	19	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	5th R Afterschool	Four Year Olds	1	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	6th R Afterschoolers	Six Year Olds and Over	1	17	C	20	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	C-Sophmores I	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 183	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 144			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 183			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance

Comments

The administrative review was completed on August 24, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/16/2022

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.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



Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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)

Bridgett Friend, Program Official

Date

April Brown, Consultant

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

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable on this date.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR) **N/A**

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by the center on this date.

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

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained on this date.

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

Comment

Playgrounds observed to be clean and in good repair on this date.

Food Service

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

Correction Deadline: 2/28/2022

Corrected on 8/16/2022

Correction of citation in that all infant feeding plans for infants enrolled were complete with instructions from the parent for the introduction of solid foods as required.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

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

N/A

Comment

The center currently does not dispense or administer medication at this time.

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

A current and completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children on this date. Vehicles with tag numbers ending in T6611 and T6612 were completed on April 15, 2022. Vehicle with tag number ending in T6613 was completed on April 18, 2022.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed on this date.

Comment

The vehicles had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with the infant teacher and director on this date.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 02/28/2022

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 03/29/2022

Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 05/28/2013	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 07/24/2017	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 01/11/2021	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/01/2016	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 04/01/2013	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 05/03/2019	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 04/01/2013	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 07/15/2013	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 09/02/2017	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 08/15/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 08/14/2020	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 03/26/2020	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 06/03/2013	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 10/03/2019	

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 11/01/2021	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 11/03/2016	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 08/14/2020	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 01/22/2016	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 05/02/2019	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 08/02/2018	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 09/11/2019	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 03/01/2021	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

Comment

Director provided four files for employees hired since the last visit which was completed on February 16, 2022.

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

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% 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 on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.