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Cover Sheet

Date: 10/13/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 11:00 AM

Departure: 1:30 PM

CCLC-52065

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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. 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.
10/13/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/14/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/18/2021	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	
Building 2	E (Right)	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	12	C	17	C	Lunch, Transitioning, Nap, Centers	
Building 2	F (Left)	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	8	C	12	C	17	C	Art, Nap, Lunch, Transitioning	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 24			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 47								
Main	A	Infants	1	1	C	4	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap, Feeding	
Main	B		0	0	C	3	C	NA	NA	Not In Use	
Main	C	One Year Olds	1	3	C	5	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Nap, Diapering, Transitioning, Free Play	
Main	D	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	5	C	11	C	16	C	Transitioning, Nap, Lunch, Art	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 23			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 47								
Total # Children this Date: 26			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 47				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 47				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	22	C

Comments

An in person Licensing Study was conducted on this day. The center director stated there is a total of 6 staff with 2 being newly hired since the consultant's last visit. The center director stated no medication is administered, no field trips or routine transportation is provided.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed 01/01/0001

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)

Vanessa Lawson, Program Official

Date

Connie Boatright, Consultant

Date



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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-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.03(2) - The center will ensure that a current lesson plan is posted in each classroom in use.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2022

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

The consultant observed a variety of age appropriate activities through out the center.

Comment

Toys and equipment were observed to be clean and in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2022

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

Met

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Parent agreements observed obtained/completed.

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.08(6) - The center will ensure to maintain records of a child's daily arrival and departure for the twelve (12) preceding months that the Parent or person(s) authorized by the Parent documents, in written or electronic format, each time the Parent or authorized person drops off and picks up the child. The documentation shall include at least the date, the child's name, the arrival and departure times, and the signature or initials of the Parent or authorized person at the time of arrival and departure. These records shall be made available to the Department in printed or written form upon request.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2022

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

Correction Deadline: 4/14/2022

Corrected on 10/13/2022

.19(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day.

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 present:
---A toilet plunger was stored beside of the left toilet in the after school classroom and accessible to the children.
---A toilet plunger, dust pan, and a broom was stored in the bathroom of the three-year-old classroom and accessible to the 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.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - The center will ensure that the Center and surrounding premises will be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. The right and left arm of the blue sofa located in the two-year-old classroom is peeling and needs to be repaired, replaced, or removed. The blue duct tape surrounding the wood border around the diaper changing table located in the one-year-old classroom is weathered and the strings are showing and in reach of the one-year-old children. The tape needs to be repaired, replaced, or removed.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2022

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

Met

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk
5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk
2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

Correction Deadline: 4/14/2022

Corrected on 10/13/2022

.10(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day.

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-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - The center will ensure that cots and mats and fully covered with a protective covering when being stored inside of the classroom area.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2022**Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 6****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 03/10/2020

Staff # 2

Not Met

Date of Hire: 05/02/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 03/10/2020

Staff # 4

Met

Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3

Date of Hire: 03/10/2020

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2020

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/13/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 2 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

Met

Comment

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles.

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(5) - The center director will ensure that each staff member complete 10 hours of annual training from January 1 through December 31 of each fiscal year.

Correction Deadline: 11/12/2022

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)3.(i) - The center director will ensure that newly hired teachers who do not possess the educational and qualifying child care experience requirements must enroll in a program of study to obtain one of the educational credentials and qualifying experience requirements as required by these rules within six months after employment at the Center and complete the credential or degree within 18 months after enrollment.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)3.(ii)(I) - (VIII) - The center director will ensure that the Center develop a written plan for newly hired teacher's who do not possess the educational credential or degree listed in 591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2.(i) through (xii).

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2022

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/14/2022

Corrected on 10/13/2022

.32(7) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected.