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Date: 4/28/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:05 AM **Departure:** 12:30 PM

CCLC-49933

Good Foundation Academy

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
04/28/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Deficient	
03/28/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/16/2022	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
Main	A	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Free Play, Floor Play
Main	B		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Main	C	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D- 1st left		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	E- 1st right	GA PreK	2	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	F- 2nd left	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Story, Circle Time
Main	G- 2nd right	GA PreK	2	18	C	22	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	H-Ones	One Year Olds	2	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 67					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	All ages	58	C
Main	B - Left	22	C

Comments

An on-site complaint investigation was conducted on April 28, 2023. Investigative findings were concluded on April 28, 2023. Background checks were all reviewed on April 28, 2023.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/28/2023

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), 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)



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!

Christine Louis, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

Corrected on 4/28/2023

.19(1) - Citation observed corrected. The Consultant observed the appropriate license capacity in the child care areas.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based on observation that there was a missing floor tile next to the trash can in classroom A. It was further determined based on observation that there was a missing floor tile in front of the emergency exit door in classroom B. It was also determined based on observation that there was a missing floor tile next to the purple door in classroom H.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary.

Correction Deadline: 5/26/2023

Recited on 4/28/2023

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:

Classroom A

- Diaper wipes stored under the diapering table accessible to children in care.
- Gloves stored under the diapering table accessible to children in care

Classroom C

- A plastic grocery bag was observed in the cubby accessible to children in care.

Classroom E

- A plastic bag grocery bag was observed on the left side of the cubby.

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: 5/12/2023

Recited on 4/28/2023

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2023

Corrected on 4/28/2023

.25(3) - Citation observed corrected. The carpet was observed repaired.

Safety

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. - The Consultant discussed with the Director that the driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)1. requires that the first check be conducted immediately upon unloading the last child at any location including, but not limited to, a field trip destination, arrival at the Center, and the last stop during transportation to home or school. The responsible person on the vehicle shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; sign the passenger transportation checklist (s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle; and give the passenger transportation checklist(s) to the second designated Staff person. It was determined based on a review of records that the following signatures were missing from the transportation check list.

- The PM first check signature was missing on April 14, 2023, from Miller Grove Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.
- The PM first check signature was missing on April 21, 2023, from E.L Miller Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.
- The PM first check signature was missing on April 21, 2023, from Shadow Rock Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2023

Recited on 4/28/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based on a review of records that the following was missing from the transportation checklist:

- The AM second check signature was missing on April 14, 2023, from Miller Grove Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.
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