

**Bright from the Start - Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**

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(Cover Sheet)**Date:** 1/28/2025**VisitType:** EX-Monitoring**Arrival:** 3:00PM**Departure:** 4:15PM**EX-48584 EXMT-14003 EX-1 - Government
DeKalb County Schools ASED - Stoneview
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Joint with:

Compliance Zone Designation			Prevention Action Category	IntermediateAction Category	Dismissal Action Category
1/28/2025	EX-Monitoring	Prevention	Prevention Level 1 (P1)	Intermediate Level 1 (I1)	Dismissal (D)
			Technical Assistance	Corrective Action Plan	Dismissal
				Office Conference	Disqualification
			Prevention Level 2 (P2)	Intermediate Level 2 (I2)	
			Citation	Fine (Level1 or 2)	
			Plan of Improvement		
			Prevention Level 3 (P3)	Intermediate Level 3 (I3)	

Staff: Child Ratios

Room Description	Age Groups	Staff Count	Children Count	State Ratio Met	Notes
Cafeteria		0	0	Y	
Gym		0	0	Y	
Media Center	PreK, Fives, Six and older	1	16	Y	
Playground		0	0	Y	

Group Sizes Met? Y

Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0

#Staff Count: 1

#Children Count: 16

Comments:

On January 28, 2025, an on-site visit was conducted at the facility for the purpose of a CAPS monitoring visit. An administrative review was also completed to review required documents.

Corrective Action Plan:No Plan Developed



Please refer the website, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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

By signing this report I acknowledge that the report was discussed with me and if there are any missing requirements I am responsible for submitting them as outlined to the GACAPS program.

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.al.ga.gov.

1. Facility name, program 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 standard(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the citation
4. Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date of the visit to the facility.
5. Your refutation will be forwarded to the CCS Exemptions Unit manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 770-293-5977.

Any violation which subjects a child to injury or life threatening situation or continued non-compliance may jeopardize participation in the CAPS program for eligible license-exempt program (government-owned facilities and day camps).

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The following information is associated with a Exemption Monitoring:**Activities and Equipment****EX-HS-.F Equipment & Toys (CS)****Met****Comment**

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

EX-HS-.Q Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities (CS)**N/A****Comment**

Program does not provide swimming activities.

Exemptions**EX-HS-.X Exemption Requirements (NCP)****Met****Comment**

Observed compliance with the local fire safety agencies and local building authorities on this date. A current Fire Inspection was observed on this date.

Facility**EX-HS-.L Physical Plant (NCP)****Met****Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

EX-HS-.M Playgrounds (CS)**Met****Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. The program only utilizes the two play areas on the right with gray and yellow paint on the play equipment. The program does not use the play equipment on the left with yellow, blue and red paint as it does not have adequate resilient surfacing.

Health and Hygiene**EX-HS-.U Diapering Areas & Practices (CS)****N/A****Comment**

No diapered children are enrolled.

EX-HS-.H Hygiene (NCP)**Met****Comment**

Hand washing was not observed during the visit but proper hand washing rules were discussed.

EX-HS-.I Medications (CS)**N/A****Comment**

Medication is not dispensed

Policies and Procedures**EX-HS-.J Operational Policies & Procedures (NCP)****Met****Comment**

It was determined that the program provides Parents a copy of the Program's written policies and procedures.

Comment

Observed evidence of written policies and procedures that describe the Program's operations on this date.

EX-HS-.T Required Reporting (NCP)**N/A****Comment**

There were no incidents or injuries that required reporting.

Safety**EX-HS-.S****N/A****Comment**

No field trips are offered

EX-HS-.E Discipline (CS)**Met****Comment**

Observed age-appropriate discipline policies on this date.

EX-HS-.R Transportation (CS)**N/A****Comment**

Program does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**EX-HS-.V Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements (CS)****N/A****Comment**

No infants are enrolled.

Staff Records**EX-HS-.D Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks (CS)****Met****Comment**

Three of three Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

EX-HS-.W First Aid & CPR (NCP)**Not Met****Finding**

EX-HS-.W(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on administrative review that three of three staff members did not complete Pediatric CPR and First Aid training as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Program will ensure Pediatric CPR and First Aid training is completed as required. All staff training including CPR and First Aid will be reviewed on the follow up visit.

Correction Deadline: 2/27/2025

EX-HS-.P Staff Training (NCP)

Not Met

Finding

EX-HS-.P(3) requires each staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety training at the time of employment that will count toward required annual training: Staff employed prior to September 30, 2016 will complete the training by December 29, 2016 and Staff employed after September 30, 2016 will complete the health and safety training within the first 90 days of employment. It was determined based on administrative review that three of three staff members did not complete Health and Safety within ninety days of hire as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Program will ensure that Health and Safety training is completed within ninety days of hire as required. All training including Health and Safety training will be reviewed on the follow up visit.

Correction Deadline: 2/27/2025

Staffing and Supervision

EX-HS-.O Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision (CS)

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.