

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

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(Cover Sheet)**Date:** 8/13/2024**VisitType:** EX-Monitoring**Arrival:** 2:55PM**Departure:** 4:05PM**EX-45421 EXMT-10783 EX-1 - Government
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Joint with:

Compliance Zone Designation			Prevention Action Category	Intermediate Action Category	Dismissal Action Category
8/13/2024	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 (Level 1 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
Cafe	PreK, Fives, Six and older	2	11	Y	
Gym		0	0	Y	
Room 125		0	0	Y	
Room 126		0	0	Y	

Group Sizes Met? Y

Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0

#Staff Count: 2

#Children Count: 11

Comments:

On August 13, 2024, an in-person visit was conducted for the purpose of a CAPS Monitoring Visit. In addition, an administrative review was conducted on this date to review required documents

Corrective Action Plan: No Plan Developed

Please refer the website, <http://www.dec.state.ga.gov/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

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**

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the Program.

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 zoning authorities, fire safety agencies and local building authorities on this date. See previous comment under physical plant.

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

Observed approval from the Department, local zoning authorities, fire safety agencies and local building authorities on this date. The last fire inspection was conducted at the end of the school year, May 18, 2023. The program (school) is on schedule for the next fire inspection to be conducted.

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

No playground provided. The program uses the gym.

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

No diapered children are enrolled.

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

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

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

Medication is not dispensed

Policies and Procedures

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

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

EX-HS-.T Required Reporting (NCP)	Met
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Comment

There were no incidents or injuries that required reporting.

Safety

EX-HS-.S	N/A
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Comment

No field trips are offered

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

Observed age-appropriate discipline policies on this date.

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

Program does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

No infants are enrolled.

Staff Records

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

Six of six Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Finding

EX-HS-.W(1) requires Program Staff to successfully complete a biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid. The first aid training must be done by certified or licensed health care professionals or trainers and must deal with the provision of emergency care to infants and children. The Program shall maintain current evidence of the successful completion of such training which shall be available to the Department for inspection. It was determined by administrative review that four of six staff members did not have CPR and First Aid training as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Program will ensure that each staff member completes CPR and First Aid training as required. All trainings including CPR and First Aid will be reviewed on the follow up visit.

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2024

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 six of six staff members did not complete Health and Safety training within 90 days of the hire date as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Program will ensure all current and new staff members complete Health and Safety training within the first 90 days of hire as required. All trainings including Health and Safety will be reviewed on the follow up visit.

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2024

Staffing and Supervision**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.