Bright from the Start - Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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(Cover Sheet)

Date: 6/3/2025 **VisitType:** EX-Monitoring **Arrival:** 9:40AM **Departure:** 12:10PM

EX-52749 EXMT-17504 EX-7 - Day camp
South Fulton Studios

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Joint with:

Compliance Zone Designation		
6/3/2025	EX-Monitoring	Prevention

Prevention Action Category	IntermediateAction Category	Dismissal Action Category
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
Classroom/Dance Floor	, Fours, Fives, Six and older	4	26	Y	Dance and fitness

Group Sizes Met? Y Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0 #Staff Count: 4 #Children Count: 26

Comments:
The child care program was found to be operating outside of the approved exemption. An unlicensed complaint investigation was conducted on this date.

Corrective Action Plan:Developed This Date

Please refer the website, http://www.decal.ga.gov/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@decal.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).

Director/Person-in-charge Signature______________________________

Printed Name____ Date_____________________

Specialist Signature____ Date_____________________

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Exemption Monitoring:

Activities and Equipment

EX-HS-.A Activities **Met**

Comment
A daily planned program of varied and developmentally appropriate activities observed with various teaching methods to accommodate different learning styles.

EX-HS-.F Equipment & Toys(CS) **Met**

Comment
A variety of activities were observed throughout the Program.

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

Comment
Program does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

EX-HS-.C Children's Records **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
EX-HS-.C(2) requires program staff to maintain a file for each child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations for each child enrolled in the program on a form approved by the department and to allow no child to continue enrollment in the program for more than thirty (30) days without such evidence. It was determined based on investigation that the Program did not have children's immunization records.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
Program staff will have and use a plan to track immunization forms for all enrolled children and to ensure the form or affidavit is obtained from the parent or guardian within 30 days of enrollment. Parents will be informed their child cannot remain enrolled in the program without this documentation.

Exemptions

EX-HS-.X Exemption Requirements **Not Met**

Finding
EX-HS-.(3) requires the program to operate within the exemption criteria approved by the department. It was determined based on review of records that the Program was not operating within the approval conditions set forth under the Category 7 - Day camp activity surrounding ages of children served. During the visit it was found that a 4-year-old child was present and participating in the activity's programming.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Program shall disenroll all under aged children and cease care under the exempt activity. A follow-up will be completed during an unlicensed complaint investigation visit for re-evaluation.

Correction Deadline: 6/3/2025

Facility

EX-HS-.B Bathrooms **Met**

Comment
Bathrooms located on each floor in or adjacent to child care areas and rooms.

EX-HS-.L Physical Plant(CS) **Met**

Comment
Observed approval from the Department, local zoning authorities, and fire safety agencies on this date. The City of Fairburn Fire Marshal present during visit to complete the Fire Marshal inspection.

Comment
Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

EX-HS-.M Playgrounds(CS) **N/A**

Comment
No playground provided

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment
No diapered children are enrolled.

EX-HS-.H Hygiene **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 **Met**

Comment
Determined age-appropriate discipline is communicated to staff on this date.

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

Comment
Observed evidence of written drills conducted within the Program on this date.

Comment
Observed the Program's written emergency plan on this date.

EX-HS-.T Required Reporting **Met**

Comment
There were no incidents or injuries that required reporting.

Safety

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

Comment
Observed age-appropriate discipline policies on this date.

EX-HS-.S Field Trips **N/A**

Comment
No field trips are offered

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.

Comment
No safe sleep policies are necessary.

Staff Records

EX-HS-.D Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CS) **Not Met**

Finding
EX-HS-.D(1) requires valid evidence of a satisfactory fingerprint record check determination to be maintained at the program for each employee. It was determined based on review of records on this date that one (1) out of five (5) staff members did not have completed evidence of the Department's criminal records check.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Provider shall ensure that every employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file and maintained prior to being present at the program while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older.

Correction Deadline: 6/3/2025

EX-HS-.W First Aid & CPR **Not Met**

Finding
EX-HS-.W(1) When any child is present, there must be a staff member who is trained in pediatric CPR and first aid on the premises, on any field trip, or when transporting children. It was determined based on review of records that one (1) out of five (5) staff members did not have evidence of pediatric CPR and first aid training.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The program will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and pediatric CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2025

EX-HS-.K Personnel Records **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
EX-HS-.K(1) - requires the program to maintain a personnel file on the director, all employees, provisional employees, personnel, staff, students-in-training, volunteers, clerical, housekeeping, maintenance, and other support staff for the duration of the term of employment plus one calendar year, and it shall contain the following: identifying information to include: name, date of birth, social security number, current address and current telephone number; employment history; as applicable to the position held: evidence of education and qualifying work experience; evidence of all training required by these rules, which shall include: title of training, date of training, trainer's signature, location of training and number of clock hours obtained; a statement completed by the staff member that the information provided is true and accurate; any other records required by these rules; and, as applicable to the position held, evidence of required orientation, including date and signature of person providing the orientation. It was recommended to the owner on this date to develop a binder for staff personnel information. This binder would contain employment applications, completed training certificates, criminal background check determination letters, and copies of completed pediatric CPR and first aid certificate verification.

EX-HS-.P Staff Training **Not Met**

Comment
It was reported by the owner on this date that five (5) out of five (5) staff members completed the initial orientation.

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 review of records that one (1) out of five (5) staff members were missing the completion of the Health and Safety orientation training.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The program will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2025

Finding
EX-HS-.P(4) requires, in the first year of employment and then by calendar year thereafter, all supervisory and caregiver personnel, except independent contractors, students-in-training, and volunteers, to attend ten (10) clock hours of training that is task-focused in early childhood education or child development or subjects relating to job assignment and is offered by an accredited college, university, vocational program, or other department-approved source. It was determined based on review of records that three (3) out of five (5) staff members did not have evidence of ten (10) additional hours of child-related task-focused training.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The program will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2025

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment
Program observed to maintain appropriate staff: child ratios.