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Date: 2/13/2023 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:40 AM **Departure:** 4:00 PM

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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.
02/13/2023	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	
			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.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
I	C- 3's		0	0	C	23	C	32	C	Not In Use
I	E- 4's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	21	C	27	C	38	C	Transitioning
I	F- 4's	Four Year Olds	2	18	C	27	C	38	C	Transitioning
I	G-Private Pre-K	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	15	C	27	C	NA	NA	Centers
I	H- 3's & 4's	Three Year Olds	2	10	C	27	C	37	C	Free Play
I	I- 3's	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	29	C	40	C	Transitioning
I	J- 2's	Two Year Olds	3	18	C	33	C	NA	NA	Free Play
I	K- 2's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	18	C	34	C	NA	NA	Free Play
I	L- 1's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play
I	M- 1's	One Year Olds	2	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
I	N- 6wks-12mths	Infants and One Year Olds	2	9	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
I	O- 6wks- 12 mths	Infants	2	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 310						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 744				
II	A-GA- Pre-K 1	GA PreK	2	16	C	23	C	33	C	Transitioning
II	B- Gym/ Afterschool 5-12 yrs		0	0	C	111	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
II	C- GA-Pre-K- 3	GA PreK	2	21	C	22	C	30	C	Transitioning
II	D- GA Pre-K 2	GA PreK	2	21	C	25	C	35	C	Outside

II	E GA Pre-K - 6	GA PreK	2	19	C	27	C	38	C	Transitioning
II	F- GA Pre-K -5	GA PreK	2	18	C	24	C	34	C	Transitioning
II	G- GA Pre-K-7	GA PreK	2	22	C	22	C	31	C	Transitioning
II	H- GA Pre-K- 4	GA PreK	2	18	C	23	C	32	C	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 277					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 744					
Total # Children this Date: 293					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 744					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
I	Playground A- 6wks-12mths	25	C
I	Playground B- 1's & 2 yrs	40	C
I	Playground C-2's - 4's	73	C
I	Playground D- 4- 7 yrs	63	C
II	Playground E - 4- 12 yrs	135	C

Comments

An in-person Initial Licensing Study was conducted February 13, 2023. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. Exit conference was conducted with the Director on February 13, 2023. Temporary License will be issued upon completion of the Exit Conference. Facility does carry Liability Insurance.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/13/2023

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/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

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.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Melinda Gilbert, Program Official

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

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

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked. Swimming rules discussed with Director.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.06(4) requires a Center first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that remodel or add to existing plumbing facilities, to have the bathroom area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system and requires Centers without fully enclosed bathrooms to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It was determined based on observation that the bathroom in Classrooms K and L are not fully enclosed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will fully enclose and ventilate bathroom areas, as required, and will provide adequate ventilation and sanitation in bathrooms that are not fully enclosed.

Correction Deadline: 3/15/2023

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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 a staff purse was located in an unlocked cabinet and brooms and a vacuum were located in an unlocked closet in Building 1, Classroom K and accessible to children. In addition, disinfectant wipes and disinfectant spray were located in an unlocked cabinet and accessible to children in Building 2, Classroom C.

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: 2/13/2023

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26 - Please ensure no tripping hazards accessible on Playground D.

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Health and Hygiene

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Met****Comment**

Twenty-seven (27) cribs were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards as they were manufactured in 2012 and 2013.

Consultant discussed safe sleeping requirements with the Director during the inspection visit.

Staff Records

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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.