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Cover Sheet

Date: 4/19/2022 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 1:30 PM **Departure:** 3:45 PM

CCLC-38463

CreekStone Academy at Little Tikes

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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. 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.
04/19/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
03/10/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/29/2021	Complaint Investigation by Phone	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/1R/1	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B/1L/2	Infants	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C/2L/3		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	D/3L/4	One Year Olds	1	5	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E/1CL/5	One Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	F/ 2CL/9	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G/3CL/11		0	0	C	27	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	H/4CL/13	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	11	C	20	C	27	C	Nap
Main	I/5CL/15	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	14	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	J/CBack/16	GA PreK	2	11	C	25	C	35	C	Nap
Main	K/7R/14	GA PreK	2	7	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	L/6R/12	GA PreK	2	11	C	19	C	26	C	Nap
Main	M/5R/10		0	0	C	26	C	36	C	Not In Use
Main	N/4R/8	GA PreK	2	11	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	O/3R/7	GA PreK	2	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	P/2R/6	GA PreK	2	11	C	22	C	NA	NA	Snack

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 310

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 344

Total # Children this Date: 122

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A/1R/Front	33	C
Main	PG B/2R	18	C
Main	PG C/3R	14	C
Main	PG D/1L Front	10	C
Main	PG E/L Back	46	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to follow up to the previous visit conducted on March 10, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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



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!

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)

Marcus Drake, Program Official

Date

Beverly Pollard, Consultant

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-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the following areas were not kept in good repair:

- Classroom B/1L/2: Peeling paint exposing the dry wall was observed behind the rocking chair.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2022

Recited on 4/19/2022

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that the playgrounds had the following hazards:

-Playground A/1R/front- had exposed tree roots, the red swing equipment had rotting and chipping wood, the climbing equipment was not kept clean.

-Playground B/2R- two of five window trim had rotting and chipping wood, the green climber had peeling paint.

-Playground C/3R - the concrete sidewalk was raised and pose a tripping hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2022

Recited on 4/19/2022

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022

Corrected on 4/19/2022

.07(5) -

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.16(f) requires the Center to submit an application for an amended License at least 30 days prior to a change if there is a change in the name of the program or Center, changes in the ages of the children to be served, an increase in the regular hours of operation such that the Center would be providing evening or night-time care in addition to day-time care, changes in the services provided, or additions to or changes in the use of the building by the licensed Center. If an emergency situation arises which makes it impossible to give thirty (30) days' notice, the management of the Center shall notify the Department by telephone and shall submit an application for an amended License as soon as management becomes aware of the change that will be necessitated by the emergency situation. In no case, however, shall a new owner operate the Center without first securing a new License or Permit from the Department.

It was determined based on observation that classroom F/2CL/9 was being used as a diapering classroom prior to an amendment being submitted and approved.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

An application for amendment and all necessary documentation will be submitted within ten (10) business days.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2022

Recited on 4/19/2022

Safety

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022

Corrected on 4/19/2022

.36(3)(a-b) - Transportation training completed on March 20, 2022.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2022

Corrected on 4/19/2022

.30(2) - Training was provided to staff persons.

