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Date: 3/12/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:05 AM

Departure: 3:00 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.
03/12/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/11/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/12/2023	Complaint Closure	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
Main	A	Four Year Olds	2	26	C	26	C	36	C	Centers
Main	A	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	26	C	26	C	36	C	Centers
Main	B	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding
Main	B	One Year Olds	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding
Main	C	Infants	2	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	C	Infants	2	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	D	Three Year Olds	2	20	C	26	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	D	Three Year Olds	2	20	C	26	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	E		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	
Main	E		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	
Main	F		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	
Main	F		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	
Main	G		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	
Main	G		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	
Main	H	Three Year Olds	1	6	C	24	C	34	C	Floor Play
Main	H	Three Year Olds	1	6	C	24	C	34	C	Floor Play
Main	I	One Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	I	One Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	J	Four Year Olds	2	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Floor Play

Main	J	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	K	Two Year Olds	3	19	C	21	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Diapering
Main	K	Two Year Olds	3	19	C	21	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Diapering
Main	L	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	15	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch
Main	M	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	17	C	19	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	N	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	19	C	19	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Playground 1 - school age		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 243					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 243		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 265			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 486		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 243		Building @25 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground 1	7	C
Main	Playground 2	18	C
Main	Playground 2	15	C
Main	Playground 3	24	C
Main	Playground 3	17	C
Main	Playground 4	14	C
Main	Playground 5	15	C
Main	Playground 6	14	C
Main	Playground 7	17	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a licensing study.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/12/2024

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!

Julie Mathews, Program Official

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2023

Corrected on 3/12/2024

.12(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed all equipment to be secured. Furniture that posed potential hazards had been replaced.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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 in the two year old room (third room on the right), a spray bottle of bleach solution and a spray bottle of Fabuloso was on the changing table accessible to the children.

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: 3/12/2024

Recited on 3/12/2024

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

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2023

Corrected on 3/12/2024

.26(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed new playgrounds and new fencing installed meeting department requirements.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2023

Corrected on 3/12/2024

.26(8) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed adequate resilient surfacing beneath climbing equipment.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2023

Corrected on 3/12/2024

.26(9) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed new playgrounds free from litter and hazards.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.15(4) requires that a feeding chair or similar equipment designed for feeding children shall be provided for the use of each child being fed who is capable of sitting up but who is unable to sit unassisted at a table and must be cleaned with a disinfectant after each use. Such chair or similar equipment shall have a broad base to prevent tipping, a surface that the child cannot raise, a strap or other device which prevents the child from sliding out of the chair, and a feeding surface free of cracks. It was determined based on observation that in classrooms B, one of two chairs used for feeding were not equipped with a strap or other device to prevent the child from sliding out of the chair and was in use at the time. In classroom C, two out of two chairs used for feeding were not equipped with a strap to prevent the child from sliding out of the chair. The chair was not in use at the time.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will inspect feeding equipment to ensure it meets each of the listed criteria and to verify a feeding chair or equipment is provided for each child who requires one. The Center will train staff and monitor to ensure that the feeding equipment is cleaned with a disinfectant after each use.

Correction Deadline: 3/12/2024

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that the diaper changing table in the one year old room was not equipped with guard rails to prevent falls.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 3/12/2024

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2023

Corrected on 3/12/2024

.36(7)(b) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed complete documentation.

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

Please ensure that cribs/cots are labeled for individual use.

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**

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Staffing and Supervision**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2023

Corrected on 3/12/2024

.32(7) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed adequate supervision.