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Date: 9/6/2023 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 1:15 PM

CCLC-165

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Quality Rated: No

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.
09/06/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/07/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/12/2022	Incident Investigation/Licensing Study	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: 1L-Front	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	B: 1L-Rear	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C: 2L	Infants	1	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	D: 3L	Three Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	6	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	E: 4L	Four Year Olds	2	6	C	30	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	F: 5L		0	0	C	30	C	NA	NA	
Main	G: 6L	GA PreK	1	7	C	25	C	35	C	Story
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 145					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 145					
Total # Children this Date: 35			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 145			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 145				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A: Left-Toddler	40	C
Main	B: Middle-Preschool	60	C
Main	C: Right-School Age	40	C

Comments

The consultant conducted a Licensing visit on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/06/2023

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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Natilie Snider, Program Official	Date
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La Tonya Bonner, Lead Consultant	Date
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Marlene Emelle, Regional Consultant	Date
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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: 3/14/2023

Corrected on 9/6/2023
.12(2) - corrected.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Parent agreements observed obtained/completed.

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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****Comment**

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

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 an observation in rooms 3L and 6L that toilet t bowl brushes were accessible to the children.

It was also observed that the cabinet in the 2L classroom was no longer child proofed and easy to open. The cabinet housed diaper cream and other items that should be kept out of the reach of 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: 9/6/2023

Correction Deadline: 3/17/2023

Corrected on 9/6/2023

.25(3) - Correction was made on this date.

The storage of plastic grocery bags and baby wipe packaging were discussed on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on consultant observation that the blue and yellow equipment located on playground on the left side of the building had a rusted strip at the top of the slide that was missing screws and posed a pinching hazard. (toddler playground) . Additionally, the base at the top of the blue/yellow was cracked, posing a possible finger entrapment hazard. Consultant observed the structure to be wrapped in caution tape and not usable to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2023

Recited on 9/6/2023

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 an observation of the back playground vines were growing through the fence, caution tape was around the A/C unit with the make shift green gate and yellow mushrooms were growing in the wood chips. It was also observed under the wooden structure there were 2 small wasp nest.

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: 9/30/2023

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

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

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) Met

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/17/2022

Corrected on 9/6/2023

.36(4)(a) - Annual vehicle inspection was dated 9/23/2022.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - Please ensure all bedding is stored without touching any other cots,mats or bedding.

Correction Deadline: 9/6/2023

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-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR	Met
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Correction Deadline: 9/12/2022

Corrected on 9/6/2023

.14(1)(a) - First Aid was observed completed on this date.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)	Met
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Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.