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Date: 9/8/2025 VisitType: Licensing Study

Arrival: 8:45 AM Departure: 12:20 PM

CCLC-37563

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
09/08/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/24/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/18/2024	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		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main	B/2L	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	C/2R		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Main	D/1R		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA	
Main	E/R Back		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 70		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 4			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 70		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A	95	C
Main	PG B/Porch	2	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
2	3	6	12	0	10	29

Comments

Staff applications, food prep training, two hours in evidence based/developmentally appropriate language and literacy practices, two hours in on-going child development and health and safety related topics training, initial program orientation, playground / classroom hazards, operational policies & procedures, transportation training, vehicle inspection, and pediatric First Aid and pediatric CPR training within 45 days of employment was discussed with the provider on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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.decgal.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

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



Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Comment

Lesson Plans were observed to be posted and reflected the current weeks activities in each classroom.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed rotating toys to support the procedures of daily disinfecting.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2024

Corrected on 9/8/2025

.08(2) - Previous citation of all five children files reviewed having immunization records that were not on file or expired was observed to be corrected on this date.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/23/2024

Corrected on 9/8/2025

.06(4) - Previous citation of the bathroom in classroom C/2R not having adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures was observed to be corrected on this date. Ventilation is still not functioning, but screened windows were observed.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center on this date.

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 in classroom B2L, the floor tile near the changing table was sunken with several cracks. It was also observed that the floor tile near the back where the door is located was sunken.

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: 9/26/2025

Recited on 9/8/2025

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2024

Corrected on 9/8/2025

.25(8) - Previous citation of an outlet located on the porch having a hanging electrical cord and the outlet were exposed and accessible to children was observed to be corrected on this date.

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 following hazards were observed on playground A:

- second yellow light pole was wobbly and not stable with exposed wires and was accessible.
- broken green slide located on the back wall in left corner was in pieces and was accessible.
- the gate that enters to a dilapidated home had left and right portion of the gate facing inward, was wobbly and not stable with a two inch gap.
- the black vent on the right side located on the back wall of the building had a hole measuring over 5 inches in diameter and was accessible.
- a wood panel and green track was located on the back wall and was accessible.

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: 9/26/2025

Recited on 9/8/2025

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.18(7) requires each Center to have a designated space for storage of food and kitchen items and that the area be kept clean and free of accumulation of dust, dirt, food particles and grease deposits. It was determined based on observation there was a brown sticky substance under the 1st left refrigerator that was visible only when opening the refrigerator.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will designate an area for the storage of these items, will thoroughly clean the space, if needed, develop and implement a plan to train Staff, as needed, and inspect the storage area daily.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2025

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**N/A****Comment**

There were no children enrolled in the program on this date. Proper diaper facilities were observed with warm running water and proper ventilation.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands on this date.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(1)(a-o) - : Discussed updating the Center's policies and procedures to include the program's practices regarding the expulsion and suspension of children enrolled for care within the description of behavior management and discipline actions used by the Center. Also discussed to ensure a description of the practices followed by the Center to prevent shaken baby syndrome and abusive head trauma in children up to five years of age that includes the following information: how to recognize, respond to, and report the signs and symptoms of shaken baby syndrome and abusive head trauma; strategies to assist staff members in understanding how to care for infants and how to cope with a crying, fussing, or distraught child; strategies to ensure staff members understand the brain development of children up to five years of age; and a list of prohibited behaviors when dealing with children. Additional information can be found in the CCLC Indicator Manual found on DECAL's website at: <https://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.aspx> or through the Center on Shaken Baby Syndrome found at: <https://dontshake.org/>.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2025**Safety****591-1-1-.05 Animals****N/A****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)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) requires any Center that provides any type of transportation to obtain two (2) hours of state-approved or state-accepted transportation training, biannually, for the Director and for each person responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children. The training shall include, but is not limited to, a review of the transportation rules, a review of approved transportation forms and procedures, and instruction on the usage and completion of the forms and procedures. This training may be counted as part of the annual training requirements for Staff. It was determined based on review of records that staff #3 who is listed as the director and name was observed on transportation forms for the month of August 2025 and September 2025 had transportation training that expired on August 24, 2025.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director, Center Staff, and any person responsible for the transportation of children has completed the required transportation training.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(a) requires an annual safety check for each vehicle. The annual safety check, completed by a trained individual, should include a check of the: tires, headlights, horn, taillights, turn signals, brake lights, brakes, suspension, exhaust system, steering, windows, windshields and windshield wipers. A copy of the annual safety check will be kept in the Center or on the vehicle and should include evidence of any repairs and/or replacements that were identified as needed on the inspection report. It was determined based on review of records that an annual vehicle inspection was not conducted for the vehicle listed (tag ID RJM50509) on the transportation form. Consultant observed that there was an annual vehicle inspection completed on September 21, 2024 for another vehicle (tag ID PWT9184) that was not listed on transportation forms.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain the annual vehicle inspection.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2025

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/16/2024

Corrected on 9/8/2025

.30(1)(b)1 - Previous citation of classrooms B2L and C2R, having mats that had exposed foam with rips and tears in them was observed to be corrected on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 5

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 05/24/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-10 Yr. Work History Missing,.24(1)-Address Missing,.24(1)-DOB Missing,.24(1)-Name Missing,.24(1)-Phone Number Missing,.24(1)-SSN Missing,.24(1)-Work Experience Missing

Staff # 2

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/02/2015

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-10 Yr. Work History Missing,.24(1)-Address Missing,.24(1)-DOB Missing,.24(1)-Name Missing,.24(1)-Phone Number Missing,.24(1)-SSN Missing,.24(1)-Work Experience Missing

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/14/2014

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-10 Yr. Work History Missing,.24(1)-Address Missing,.24(1)-DOB Missing,.24(1)-Name Missing,.24(1)-Phone Number Missing,.24(1)-SSN Missing,.24(1)-Work Experience Missing

Staff # 4

Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/02/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-10 Yr. Work History Missing,.24(1)-Address Missing,.24(1)-DOB Missing,.24(1)-Name Missing,.24(1)-Phone Number Missing,.24(1)-SSN Missing,.24(1)-Work Experience Missing

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/01/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-10 Yr. Work History Missing,.24(1)-Address Missing,.24(1)-DOB Missing,.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing,.24(1)-Name Missing,.24(1)-Phone Number Missing,.24(1)-SSN Missing,.24(1)-Work Experience Missing

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2024

Corrected on 9/8/2025

.09(1)(b) - Previous citation of staff #3 who is the director, not having a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while children were present was observed to be corrected on this date as consultant observed a current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file for staff person.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2024

Corrected on 9/8/2025

.09(1)(l)3. - Previous citation of staff #3 who is the director, not having a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination as their Comprehensive Records Check expired on July 10, 2024 was observed to be corrected on this date as a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination was observed.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.14(1)(a) - Discussed that effective July 1, 2025, new staff are required to obtain pediatric First Aid and pediatric CPR training within 45 days of employment. It was further discussed that programs must have at least one person with current pediatric First Aid and pediatric CPR training in each classroom at all times.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2025

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.24(1) requires the center 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 determined based on review of records that there was no application on file for all staff files that were reviewed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will secure required information for all Personnel. The Center will ensure that complete information is in the personnel file for all Directors, Employees, Provisional Employees, Personnel, Staff, Students-in-Training, Volunteers, Clerical, Housekeeping, Maintenance and other Support Staff.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2025

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.33(1) - Discussed that all Employees, including volunteers, independent contractors, students-in-training, etc. should have a completed initial program orientation form on file.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(4) - Food preparation training was discussed with the provider on this date.

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2025

Correction Deadline: 8/23/2024

Corrected on 9/8/2025

.33(5) - Previous citation of staff #1 having six of ten required annual hours, staff #2 having zero of ten required annual hours, and staff #3 having two of ten required annual hours was observed to be corrected on this date as consultant observed ten hours of required annual training for all staff on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(5)(b)1. - New - Discussed that effective July 1, 2025, all staff are required to obtain at least two hours in evidence based, developmentally appropriate language and literacy practices and at least two hours in on-going child development and health and safety related topics as part of their 10 hours of annual training.

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2025

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.32(4)(b) allows children who turn three years old during the regular school year to remain with two year olds for the remainder of the school year but requires agreement from the older child's Parent(s) for the continued placement. It was determined based on observation in classroom B/2L there were two (three-year-olds) housed with one (two-year-old) without parent consent.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will update children files, secure parental permission and keep it on file.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2025

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.