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Cover Sheet

Date: 11/29/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 11:25 AM

Departure: 1:25 PM

CCLC-11124

Forsyth United Methodist Church-Caring for Kids

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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.
11/29/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/17/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/09/2021	Monitoring Visit	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	Left Hall-1st left	One Year Olds	3	12	C	18	C	NA	NA	Story, Transitioning
Main	Left Hall-1st right	Three Year Olds	2	14	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Left Hall-2nd left	Infants and One Year Olds	3	8	C	18	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Nap
Main	Left Hall-2nd right		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Art, Transitioning
Main	Right Hall-1st left	Three Year Olds	2	12	C	18	C	25	C	Transitioning
Main	Right Hall-1st right		0	0	C	21	C	29	C	
Main	Right Hall-2nd left	Three Year Olds	1	5	C	18	C	25	C	Free Play, Transitioning
Main	Right Hall-2nd right		0	0	C	21	C	29	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 180					
Total # Children this Date: 51					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 180					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Grass Area	71	C
Main	Main Playground	53	C

Comments

An in-person visit was completed on this date. The Director stated that the program does not currently provide swimming activities or administer medications. Transportation records were reviewed during the visit. Criminal Record Checks were observed complete. The program is currently working with Quality Rated.

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/RuleAndRegulations.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)

Cathy Stevick, Program Official

Date

Laura Johnson, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

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

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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)

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/22/2022

Corrected on 11/29/2022

.26(8) - This citation was corrected on this date. At least six-inches of resilient surfacing was observed around the fall zones on this date.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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) **Technical Assistance**

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) - The consultant spoke with the Director about ensuring that all transportation vehicles are kept clean and free of food wrappers and additional trash.

Correction Deadline: 11/30/2022

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 34

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 **Met**

Date of Hire: 08/01/2013

Staff # 2 **Met**

Date of Hire: 09/01/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 3 **Met**

Date of Hire: 09/21/2020

Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/26/2022	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 09/09/2021	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/01/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 10/03/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2015	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 03/08/2022	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 08/21/2020	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 11/18/2020	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 06/07/2022	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 08/02/2004	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 01/21/2020	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 06/03/2003	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 08/04/2021	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2022	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 07/27/2021	

Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 08/01/2003	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 08/01/2003	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 11/01/2017	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 08/05/2012	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 01/06/2021	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 03/22/2021	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 08/05/2016	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 07/27/2021	Met
Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 08/25/2022	Met
Staff # 28 Date of Hire: 05/25/2022	Met
Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 08/01/2001	Met
Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 02/06/2019	Met
Staff # 31 Date of Hire: 08/02/2021	Met
Staff # 32 Date of Hire: 04/21/2022	Met
Staff # 33 Date of Hire: 05/31/2022	Met

Records Reviewed: 34

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 34

Met

Date of Hire: 05/26/2002

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 13

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

Met

Comment

Director provided six files for employees hired since the last visit.

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

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