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Date: 1/25/2024 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:30 AM **Departure:** 2:15 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
01/25/2024	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing

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.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Building 1	A - 1R	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	10	C	14	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Building 1	B - 2R	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Lunch,Nap
Building 1	C-Back Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Building 1	D - Back Left	One Year Olds	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 50			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 116			Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks		
Building 2	E - Private Pre-K	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	11	C	19	C	27	C	Transitioning
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 19			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 25					
Building 3	F - Afterschool		0	0	C	32	C	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 30			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 116			Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 50		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 99			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 116					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building 1	Playground A	48	C
Building 1	Playground B	10	C

Comments
The purpose of this visit was to conduct an Initial Licensing Study. An administrative review was conducted this date. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. Temporary License issued this date. Facility does not carry Liability Insurance.

Fire and Building Certificates of Occupancy and Septic inspection report needed to issue Renewable License.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/25/2024

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.decal.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)

QUALITY RATED CHILD CARE

CAPS CHILDCARE AND PARENT SERVICES

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 a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

Lauren Davis, Program Official Date

Twylah Tyner, Application Services Unit Consultant Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
591-1-1-.12 - Ensure all equipment is properly secured.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR) **N/A**

Comment
Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site.

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
No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
591-1-1-.26 - Ensure no tripping hazards present on playgrounds.

Comment
Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

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) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
591-1-1-.17 - Ensure all trash cans containing organic material have tight-fitting lids.

Comment
Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Comment
Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Safety

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

Comment
Appropriate discipline observed.

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

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

Comment
Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment
Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with staff.

Comment
Nine (9) cribs were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards.

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) **Not Met**

Comment
Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Finding
591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2 requires the Director to possess at least one of the sets of minimum academic requirements and qualifying child care experience listed in Rule 591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2.(i-xiii). It was determined that the Director did not possess at least one of the sets of minimum academic requirements listed in Rule 591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2.(i-xiii).

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will ensure that the Director meets the minimum education and work requirements and secure the necessary documentation.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2024

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
A supervision plan was created on this date for Classrooms A, C, D, E and F due to the shape of classrooms. Additionally a supervision plan was created for Classrooms B and D due to the location of the diaper changing station.

Comment
Adequate supervision observed on this date.