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Cover Sheet

Date: 10/19/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:20 AM

Departure: 1:00 PM

CCLC-231

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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.
10/19/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/18/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/27/2021	Complaint Closure	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
Bldg 1	#1-Right Hallway end-Front Room	PreK	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers,Circle Time,Transitioning
Bldg 1	#2-Right Hallway end-Back Room	PreK	2	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Story
Bldg 1	#3-Left Hallway-1st Right Room	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Bldg 1	#4-Left Hallway end-Back Room	PreK	2	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Bldg 1	#5-Left Hallway end-Front Room	PreK	2	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Out side
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 102			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Bldg 2	# 6 Left side	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Bldg 2	#7-Right Side	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 42			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 84			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Bldg 1	Left side	131	C
Bldg 1	Right Front	50	C

Comments

An in-person visit was completed on this date. The consultant spoke with the person-in-charge, Mary Washington, who stated that the program does not currently have a Director and that she was acting as the person-in-charge until a new director could be hired. She stated that there had been no new hires since the last visit. She stated that the program does not provide medications or swimming activities. Transportation and Field Trips documents were reviewed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/19/2022

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)

Shonda Reaves, Program Official

Date

Laura Johnson, Consultant

Date



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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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the blue and yellow couches in Classroom Six had rips and tears with exposed foam making the furniture porous and unable to be kept clean and sanitized as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 11/2/2022

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.06(4) - The consultant spoke with center staff about ensuring that the exhaust fan in the boys bathroom in Classroom Six is repaired or replaced to ensure proper ventilation as required. The bathroom did not have a window available.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2022

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(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 that the vinyl siding on the left and right sides of the building on the playground had cracks and tears presenting large holes in the siding with rough, sharp edges presenting a potential hazard to the children in care. The siding at the bottom of both sides of the building was not in good repair on this date.

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: 11/21/2022

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

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(4) - The consultant spoke with center staff about ensuring that exterior fence gates are kept locked on the playground. The double gates on the Front Right Playground were closed and latched on this date, however the lock was hanging over the top of the fence and was not secure. No children were observed on this playground during the visit.

Correction Deadline: 10/19/2022**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(6) - The consultant spoke with center staff about removing, repairing, or replacing the green and black metal horses on the Left Playground and the red metal horse on the Front Right Playground that had areas of chipping paint presenting a potential hazard to the children in care.

Correction Deadline: 10/29/2022**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 there was a medium sized active ant bed on the Left Playground around the concrete bicycle path. Additionally, the exposed tree roots on the Front Right Playground presented a potential tripping hazard to the children in care.

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: 10/19/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

There were no diapering children enrolled in the program on this date.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The Program stated that no medications have been administered since the last visit.

Safety

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

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

Met

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The center buses #21-1, #21-2, and #16 all had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Comment

The program is a Head Start Program that provides care for preschool aged children. The program does not care for infants.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 34

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 10/11/2007	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 06/07/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 10/04/2016	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/26/2020	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 01/26/2004	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 11/04/2019	

Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2011	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 11/05/2019	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 01/02/2008	
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 09/19/1977	
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 10/26/2012	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 07/24/2006	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 03/11/2019	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 03/16/2015	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 02/01/2022	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 10/12/2006	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 07/16/2001	
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 01/05/1998	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 06/11/2021	
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 09/15/2015	

Records Reviewed: 34**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 09/13/2021	
Staff # 25	Met
Date of Hire: 07/13/2018	
Staff # 26	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2001	
Staff # 27	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2001	
Staff # 28	Met
Date of Hire: 08/14/2021	
Staff # 29	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2018	
Staff # 30	Met
Date of Hire: 02/01/2014	
Staff # 31	Met
Date of Hire: 08/28/2017	
Staff # 32	Met
Date of Hire: 11/11/2021	
Staff # 33	Met
Date of Hire: 03/07/2022	
Staff # 34	Met
Date of Hire: 11/16/1994	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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
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Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

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