

**Bright from the Start - Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**

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(Cover Sheet)**Date:** 3/26/2025**VisitType:** EX-Monitoring**Arrival:** 10:05AM**Departure:** 12:00PM**EX-48578 EXMT-15353 EX-1 - Government
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Joint with:

Compliance Zone Designation			Prevention Action Category	IntermediateAction Category	Dismissal Action Category
3/26/2025	EX-Monitoring	Prevention	Prevention Level 1 (P1)	Intermediate Level 1 (I1)	Dismissal (D)
			Technical Assistance	Corrective Action Plan	Dismissal
				Office Conference	Disqualification
			Prevention Level 2 (P2)	Intermediate Level 2 (I2)	
			Citation	Fine (Level1 or 2)	
			Plan of Improvement		
			Prevention Level 3 (P3)	Intermediate Level 3 (I3)	

Staff: Child Ratios

Room Description	Age Groups	Staff Count	Children Count	State Ratio Met	Notes
Room 401	, Infants	2	2	Y	
Room 403	, Twos	1	1	Y	
Room 405		0	0	Y	

Group Sizes Met? Y

Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0

#Staff Count: 3

#Children Count: 3

Comments:

The child care program is in compliance with the approved exemption category.

Corrective Action Plan:Developed This Date



Please refer 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

By signing this report I acknowledge that the report was discussed with me and if there are any missing requirements I am responsible for submitting them as outlined to the GACAPS Program.

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

1. Facility name, program number and visit date
2. Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
3. Specific standard(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the citation
4. Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date of the visit to the facility.
5. Your refutation will be forwarded to the CCS Exemptions Unit manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 770-293-5977.

Any violation which subjects a child to injury or life threatening situation or continued non-compliance may jeopardize participation in the CAPS program for eligible license-exempt program (government-owned facilities and day camps).

Director/Person-in-charge Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Date _____

Specialist Signature _____ Date _____

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The following information is associated with a Exemption Monitoring:**Activities and Equipment****EX-HS-.A Activities****Met****Comment**

A daily planned program of varied and developmentally appropriate activities observed with various teaching methods to accommodate different learning styles.

EX-HS-.F Equipment & Toys(CS)**Met****Comment**

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

Comment

Discussed rotating toys to support the procedures of daily disinfecting.

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

EX-HS-.Q Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CS)**N/A****Comment**

Program does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records**EX-HS-.C Children's Records****Met****Comment**

Observed children's files as required.

Exemptions**EX-HS-.X Exemption Requirements****Met****Comment**

Observed compliance with fire safety agencies on this date.

Facility**EX-HS-.B Bathrooms****Met****Comment**

Bathrooms located on each floor in or adjacent to child care areas and rooms.

EX-HS-.L Physical Plant(CS)**Met****Comment**

Observed approval from the Department and fire safety agencies on this date.

Comment

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

Comment

Program appears clean and well maintained.

EX-HS-.M Playgrounds(CS)**N/A****Comment**

No playground provided

Health and Hygiene**EX-HS-.U Diapering Areas & Practices(CS)****Met****Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

EX-HS-.H Hygiene**Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the program.

EX-HS-.I Medications(CS)**N/A****Comment**

Medication is not dispensed

Policies and Procedures**EX-HS-.J Operational Policies & Procedures****Not Met****Comment**

It was determined that the program provides Parents a copy of the Program's written policies and procedures.

Comment

Observed evidence of written drills conducted within the Program on this date.

Comment

Observed the Program's written emergency plan on this date.

Finding

EX-HS-.J(1)(a-i) requires the Program to establish and implement written policies and procedures that describe the Program's operations as follows: (a) the exclusion of children with contagious illness; (b) notification of parents in the event their child becomes ill while at the facility; (c) the notification of all parents of enrolled children when a reportable contagious illness is present in the facility; (d) the prevention of and response to food and allergic reactions; (e) emergency preparedness and response. A written plan for handling emergencies, including but not limited to severe weather, loss of electrical power or water and death, serious injury or loss of a child, a threatening event, or natural disaster which may occur at the program. The program will have in place procedures for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, lock-down, communication and reunification with families, and continuity of operations. The plan must apply to all children in care and will include specific accommodations for infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and children with chronic medical conditions. Such plan shall include assurance that no Personnel will impede in any way the delivery of emergency care or services to a child by licensed or certified emergency health care professionals; (f) the handling and appropriate disposal of bodily fluids and storage of hazardous materials (soiled clothing and bedding); (g) recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; (h) fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Program shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years; (i) provide to Parents a copy of the Program's written policies and procedures. It was determined based on review of records on this date that the Program did not have a functioning policies and procedures document applicable to the designated category.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Program shall develop a policies and procedures document and ensure that it contains all required content. A follow-up will be completed during the next monitoring visit for re-evaluation.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2025

EX-HS-.T Required Reporting**Met****Comment**

There were no incidents or injuries that required reporting.

Safety**EX-HS-.E Discipline(CS)****Met****Comment**

Determined age-appropriate discipline is communicated to staff on this date.

Comment

Observed age-appropriate discipline policies on this date.

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain an age appropriate learning environment on this date.

EX-HS-.S Field Trips**N/A****Comment**

No field trips are offered

EX-HS-.R Transportation(CS)**N/A****Comment**

Program does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**EX-HS-.V Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CS)****Met****Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

It was observed on this date that all cribs/cots are labeled for individual use.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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.

Staff Records**EX-HS-.D Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CS)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete for three (3) out of three (3) staff members.

EX-HS-.W First Aid & CPR**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

EX-HS-.W(2) - requires staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and pediatric CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. Based on review of records, it was noticed that the Program did not have evidence of pediatric CPR. The Program has been granted ten (10) business days, expiring on April 9, 2025, to have evidence from the administering nurse that the certificates reflect pediatric training. A follow-up will be completed during the next monitoring visit for re-evaluation.

Comment

Observed initial orientation for all staff on this date.

Comment

Observed training for all staff members on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

EX-HS-.O Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision(CS)

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Comment

Discussed naptime ratios.

Comment

Program observed to maintain appropriate staff: child ratios.