Bright from the Start - Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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(Cover Sheet)

Date: 8/29/2024 **VisitType:** EX-Monitoring **Arrival:** 2:55PM **Departure:** 4:15PM

EX-48710 EXMT-14132 EX-1 - Government
Gordon County Schools - Fairmount Elementary

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Joint with:

Compliance Zone Designation		
8/29/2024	EX-Monitoring	NA

Prevention Action Category	IntermediateAction Category	Dismissal Action Category
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
Cafeteria (room 35)	, Fives, Six and older	2	18	Y	
Room 28	, Fives, Six and older	1	16	Y	
Room 37		0	0	Y	

Group Sizes Met? Y Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0 #Staff Count: 3 #Children Count: 34

Comments:
The Specialist met with Ms. Weaver, program director, for the purpose of completing a CAPS Monitoring Visit.

Corrective Action Plan:No Plan Developed

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).

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The following information is associated with a Exemption Monitoring:

Activities and Equipment

EX-HS-.A **Met**

Comment
Developmentally appropriate activities provided to the children observed on this date.

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

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 **Met**

Comment
Children's records were observed to be completed on this date, including immunization.

Exemptions

EX-HS-.X Exemption Requirements (NCP) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
The Exemption letter and certificate were observed posted by the program's main entrance. TA provided to fill out the emergency drill form by adding the time, number of children, and left of the drill.

Facility

EX-HS-.L Physical Plant (NCP) **Met**

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) **N/A**

Comment
No diapered children are enrolled.

EX-HS-.H Hygiene (NCP) **Met**

Comment
Hand washing was not observed during the visit but proper hand washing requirements were discussed.

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

Comment
Medication is not dispensed

Policies and Procedures

EX-HS-.J Operational Policies & Procedures (NCP) **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 policies and procedures that describe the Program's operations on this date.

EX-HS-.T Required Reporting (NCP) **Met**

Comment
There were no incidents or injuries that required reporting.

Safety

EX-HS-.S **N/A**

Comment
No field trips are offered

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

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-.R Transportation (CS) **N/A**

Comment
Program does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

EX-HS-.V Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements (CS) **N/A**

Comment
No infants are enrolled.

Staff Records

EX-HS-.K **Met**

Comment
Observed staff records to be completed on this date.

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

Comment
Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

EX-HS-.W First Aid & CPR (NCP) **Met**

Comment
Observed evidence of staff training in CPR and first aid on this date.

EX-HS-.P Staff Training (NCP) **Met**

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
Program observed to maintain appropriate staff: child ratios.