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Cover Sheet

Date: 7/20/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 11:30 AM **Departure:** 2:40 PM

CCLC-3947

The Clifton School-Clairmont

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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.
07/20/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/03/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/17/2021	Licensing Study	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	120 Fern	One Year Olds	2	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Nap
Main	122 Virginia Creeper	One Year Olds	2	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	124 Primrose	One Year Olds	2	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	126 Lily	One Year Olds	1	4	C	13	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	132 Holly	One Year Olds	2	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	134 Mulberry	One Year Olds	1	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	144 Red Bud	One Year Olds	1	4	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	146 Dogwood	One Year Olds	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	152 Maple	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	154 Sweet Gum	Two Year Olds	1	2	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	164 Willow	Three Year Olds	1	3	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	166 Laurel	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	176 redwood	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	19	C	26	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	178 Silver Bells	Infants	1	4	C	11	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	180 Birch		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	182 Chesnut		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	186 Elm	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	188 Hickory	Three Year Olds	3	13	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	192 Oak	Four Year Olds	1	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	194 Cypress	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Piazza 121-Infant		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	

Main	Piazza 151-Toddler II		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	Piazza Preschool		0	0	C	38	C	NA	NA	
Main	Piazza Toddler I		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 405					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 145					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG1-preschool/sa	46	C
Main	PG2-toddler	57	C
Main	PG3-toddler	23	C
Main	PG4-Infant/young toddler	43	C

Comments

A on-site inspection was conducted on July 20, 2022 with the Assistant Director Janette Miles. An Administrative Review was conducted on July 27, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. The provider's signature was obtained on the administrative review letter.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/20/2022

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)

Lasheenia Fields, Program Official

Date

Jessica Johnson, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

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

591-1-1.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1.06(7) requires Center Staff to ensure bathrooms are cleaned daily with a disinfectant. It was determined based on observation that water and paper towels were observed on the floor.

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022

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)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were observed:

Redbud

- Peeling paint on right wall next to alphabets.

Sweet Gum

- Peeling paint in dramatic area.

Maple

- Window blind cords hanging.

Redwood

- Clorox wipes and purell wipes observed in unlocked cabinet.

- Peeling boarder next to playground exit door.

- Missing rug liner on carpet in-front of loft.

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Met****Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Comment**

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3

Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.20(3) requires the Center to maintain a record of medication dispensed that includes the date, time and amount of medication, any noticeable adverse reaction, and the signature or initials of the person administering the medication. It was determined based on review of records that medication was given at an different time than the authorized times of 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

Animals maintained clean and appropriately caged.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.11(2) - Consultant discussed staff being mindful of voice tone in redirecting children.

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 57**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 08/31/2015

Staff # 3 Met

Staff # 4 Met

Staff # 5 Met

Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 12/01/2021	
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20	Met
Staff # 21	Met
Staff # 22	Met
Staff # 23	Met
Staff # 24	Met
Staff # 25	Met
Staff # 26	Met
Staff # 27	Met
Staff # 28	Met
Staff # 29	Met
Staff # 30	Met

Staff # 31	Met
Staff # 32	Met
Staff # 33	Met
Staff # 34	Met
Date of Hire: 10/07/2015	
Staff # 35	Met
Staff # 36	Met
Staff # 37	Met
Date of Hire: 06/17/2002	
Staff # 38	Met
Staff # 39	Met
Staff # 40	Met
Staff # 41	Met
Staff # 42	Met
Staff # 43	Met
Staff # 44	Met
Staff # 45	Met
Date of Hire: 01/14/2013	
Staff # 46	Met
Staff # 47	Met
Staff # 48	Met
Staff # 49	Met
Staff # 50	Met
Staff # 51	Met
Date of Hire: 03/13/2013	
Staff # 52	Met
Staff # 53	Met

Records Reviewed: 57

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 54	Met
Staff # 55	Met
Staff # 56	Met
Staff # 57	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 16

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) **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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.