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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/17/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 2:30 PM

Departure: 4:00 PM

CCLC-38463

CreekStone Academy at Little Tikes

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

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.
08/17/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/12/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
04/19/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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	A/1R/1	Infants	1	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Free Play
Main	B/1L/2		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C/2L/3	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	11	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D/3L/4	One Year Olds	1	8	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E/1CL/5		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F/ 2CL/9		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	G/3CL/11	Four Year Olds	1	16	C	27	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	H/4CL/13	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	20	C	27	C	Centers
Main	I/5CL/15		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	J/CBack/16		0	0	C	25	C	35	C	Not In Use
Main	K/7R/14		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	L/6R/12		0	0	C	19	C	26	C	Not In Use
Main	M/5R/10		0	0	C	26	C	36	C	Not In Use
Main	N/4R/8		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	O/3R/7		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	P/2R/6		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	Not In Use

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 310

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 344

Total # Children this Date: 49

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A/1R/Front	33	C
Main	PG B/2R	18	C
Main	PG C/3R	14	C
Main	PG D/1L Front	10	C
Main	PG E/L Back	46	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a monitoring visit and follow up on previous citations.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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/Regulations.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)

Marcus Drake, Program Official

Date

Leena Mitchell, 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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12 - Please ensure all computer monitors are properly secured.

Comment

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

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

Comment

Swimming rules discussed.

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

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

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2022

Corrected on 8/17/2022

.25(3) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed the center to be clean and in good repair on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2022

Corrected on 8/17/2022

.26(9) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed the playground to be clean and free from hazards on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License **Met**

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2022

Corrected on 8/17/2022

.16(f) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed that classroom F was not being used as a diapering classroom on this date.

Safety

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

Comment

Animals maintained clean and appropriately caged.

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) **Not Met**

Comment

Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director.

Comment

The consultant observed the following vehicles to have a current vehicle inspection report on file:

- Vehicle Tag # - PZT 9774 - Expires March 15, 2022.
- Vehicle Tag # - PZT 9775 - Expires March 15, 2022..

Finding

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) requires any Center that provides any type of transportation to obtain two (2) hours of state-approved or state-accepted transportation training, biannually, for the Director and for each person responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children. The training shall include, but is not limited to, a review of the transportation rules, a review of approved transportation forms and procedures, and instruction on the usage and completion of the forms and procedures. This training may be counted as part of the annual training requirements for Staff. It was determined based on review of records that staff member #4 participated in transportation on August 17, 2022, prior to completing two hours of state approved transportation training.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director, Center Staff, and any person responsible for the transportation of children has completed the required transportation training.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2022

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30 - Please ensure that cribs/cots are labeled for individual use and all rest mats must be at least 2 inches thick.

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. Please ensure all crib sheets are tight-fitting on the mattress.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 31

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/26/2021	
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 06/01/2015	
Staff # 4	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 7	Met

Records Reviewed: 31**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Date of Hire: 11/08/2021

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 07/20/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2015

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 11

Met

Date of Hire: 04/12/1996

Staff # 12

Met

Date of Hire: 08/27/2007

Staff # 13

Met

Date of Hire: 02/24/2014

Staff # 14

Met

Date of Hire: 12/20/2021

Staff # 15

Met

Date of Hire: 09/11/2001

Staff # 16

Met

Date of Hire: 07/25/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 17

Met

Date of Hire: 02/22/2001

Staff # 18

Met

Date of Hire: 02/21/2022

Staff # 19

Met

Date of Hire: 11/09/2004

Staff # 20

Met

Date of Hire: 07/25/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 21

Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2018

Records Reviewed: 31**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 03/29/2021	
Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 06/24/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 25	Met
Date of Hire: 06/04/2021	
Staff # 26	Met
Date of Hire: 03/23/1996	
Staff # 27	Met
Date of Hire: 08/20/2021	
Staff # 28	Met
Date of Hire: 02/23/2022	
Staff # 29	Met
Date of Hire: 07/21/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 30	Met
Date of Hire: 06/20/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 31	Met
Date of Hire: 05/27/2021	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 15

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)	Met
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Comment

The director provided ten files for staff members hired since the previous visit conducted on April 19, 2022. The consultant observed ten of ten newly hired staff members to have evidence of a satisfactory criminal record check letter on file.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)	Met
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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. Please ensure that staff members are attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arms length away from children 36-months of age and younger.