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Cover Sheet

Date: 3/22/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:50 AM

Departure: 12:00 PM

CCLC-16153

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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.
03/22/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/15/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/23/2021	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
Main	1st Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Out side
Main	1st Right	Infants and One Year Olds	2	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play
Main	2nd Left		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Right	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	22	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	3rd Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	14	C	24	C	NA	NA	Outside, Lunch, Transitioning
Main	Back Middle		0	0	C	24	C	33	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 109			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 118							
Total # Children this Date: 44			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 118							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back Playground	52	C
Main	Left Playground	18	C
Main	Right Playground	40	C

Comments

An in-person visit was conducted on this date. The Director stated that the program does not provide routine transportation or provide swimming activities. The program was asked to submit Annual Inspection documents in Decal Koala by March 29, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/22/2022

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)

Megan Moore, Program Official	Date
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Beth Houtz, Consultant	Date
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Laura 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)

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 following equipment was hazardous:

- Two round tables in the Back Middle Classroom had loose screws causing the tables to not be stable.
- The cabinet doors in the two-year-old classroom had broken hinges posing a potential tipping hazard.
- One broken handle on the refrigerator door in the Dramatic Play Center of the Back Middle Classroom.
- Large holes with exposed foam were present on the blue soft climber with stars in the Second Left Classroom.
- The cabinet in the one-year-old classroom had peeling pieces of vinyl posing a potential hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The broken handle was repaired during the visit. The Director will remove, repair, or replace the soft blue climber. The center will replace or tighten the loose screws on the two round tables in the Back Middle Classroom. The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children. The Director stated that they would ensure that the broken hinges were repaired and they were planning to replace the cabinet in the one-year-old classroom that had peeling vinyl. The center will continue to monitor all equipment and furniture to ensure that it is free from hazardous conditions and kept clean.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2022

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1

Met

Records Reviewed: 5**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**Met****Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**Met****Comment**

Please monitor bathrooms and diapering sinks for necessary supplies.

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(3) - The consultant spoke with the Director about repairing the two holes observed in the exterior vinyl siding on the back side of the center near the Two-year-old Classroom door.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(8) - The consultant spoke with the Director about ensuring that all unused electrical outlets are covered with a protective cap to ensure they are inaccessible to the children in care. Four unused electrical outlets were observed with no protective caps in a classroom currently not in use for the day. The Director was able to quickly place protective caps over all the electrical outlets.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022

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

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area.

The consultant spoke with the Director about cutting the bolts extending more than two threads observed on the gate between the Left Playground and the Back Playground and the bolts extending more than two threads observed on the gate between the Right Playground and the Back Playground to prevent a potential protrusion hazard. The Director stated that the bolts would be cut down to two threads.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the following equipment hazards were present on the playground:

- On the Back Playground there were six protruding nails on the flat platform and ten along the outside of the wooden platform.
- On the Left Playground the wooden platform had one protruding nail near the top of the slide.
- On the Back Playground there was one protruding screw under the wooden platform above the wooden benches the children sit at.
- The basketball goal net was torn and not in good repair
- There were three swings per bay on the playground and not two as recommended

POI (Plan of Improvement)

One swing was removed from each bay during the visit. The Director hammered down protruding nails during the visit and will continue to monitor the wooden platforms to ensure they are in good repair. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 4/1/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that only four-inches of resilient surfacing was observed under the swinging and climbing equipment on the Back Playground and Left Playground and not six-inches as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 4/30/2022

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

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.18(8) - The consultant spoke with the Director about ensuring that all food is stored in non-absorbent containers with tight-fitting lids.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022

Health and Hygiene**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.07(5) - The consultant spoke with center staff about ensuring that infants are not allowed to pull bows around their necks.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

Finding

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that the diaper changing pad in the Infant classroom, First Left Classroom, and Second Right Classroom had holes and tears making the surface porous and not nonporous as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2022**Finding**

591-1-1-.10(6) requires Center Staff to keep any items which might harm a child out of a child's reach. It was determined based on observation that the changing surface in the Second Right Classroom had a pack of Extra Spearmint Gum and two hair ties posing a potential hazard to the children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any harmful item and provide instruction to staff that includes identification and storage of hazardous items and procedures for keeping classrooms and other children's areas free of hazards.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures****Met****Comment**

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**Met****Comment**

Please make sure that all required signs are posted and up to date.

Safety**591-1-1-.05 Animals****N/A****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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)**N/A****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)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant's back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant's back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer's guidelines and will not slide up around the infant's face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that one infant was sleeping in a crib with a bib attached to the side of the crib.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will take all steps necessary to provide a safe sleep environment for infants as listed in these rules; will train Staff to follow these rules; and will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2022**Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 12****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 10/02/2017	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 10/04/2021	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 05/23/2005	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 03/22/2013	
Staff # 5	Met

Records Reviewed: 12**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 10/25/2021

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 03/14/2021

Staff # 7

Met

Date of Hire: 10/18/2004

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 03/01/2022

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

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 03/09/2022

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

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 05/26/2020

Staff # 11

Met

Date of Hire: 03/09/2020

Staff # 12

Met

Date of Hire: 10/18/2004

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since the last visit.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Complete first aid kit observed in the center.

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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**

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