



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

**Date:** 4/5/2022      **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit      **Arrival:** 10:40 AM      **Departure:** 12:30 PM

**CCLC-96**

**Sikes Rockin Horse Ranch**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
04/05/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/24/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/11/2021	Monitoring Visit	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
2	H L Pre K3Front-Guppies		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
2	I : L Pre K4-Mid-Minnows		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
2	J: Rear-Sharks	Six Year Olds and Over	2	23	C	52	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Transitioning,Free Play
2	Lunchroom	Six Year Olds and Over	2	23	C	30	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 132			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 261							
Main	A: R Front-Cuddly	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	6	C	14	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Free Play
Main	B: R Mid-Puddle Duck		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C: Right Rear-Busy Bunnies	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Free Play
Main	D: Mid-Rear-Cool Cats		0	0	C	24	C	33	C	Not In Use
Main	E: Library		0	0	C	18	C	26	C	
Main	F: Left Middle-Leapin Lions	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	C	20	C	28	C	Transitioning,Lunch
Main	G: Pre K2	Four Year Olds	1	11	C	22	C	31	C	Nap,Transitioning

	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 129	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 261
Total # Children this Date: 85	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 261	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 261

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A:1 R-Infants	8	C
Main	PG B: 2R-Twos	10	C
Main	PG C: 3R-Two Yr	58	C
Main	PG D: Back R-Pre K	124	C
Main	PG E: Front Middle	41	C
Main	PG F: Front L-3 Yr	73	C
Main	PG G Left Back-School Age	439	C

#### **Comments**

The Consultant completed the exit conference via telephone and a copy of the monitoring visit report was electronically emailed to the Program.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/05/2022

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/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](mailto: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.

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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](http://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.'

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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)

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Katrina McKay, Program Official

Date

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Kelly Jones, Consultant

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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)****Met****Comment**

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

**Comment**

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

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

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) - Consultant discussed with the director to monitor ceiling tiles for normal wear and tear to ensure they remain in good condition.

**Correction Deadline: 4/5/2022**

**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26 - Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute especially when there is a heavy rain.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26 - Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. Monitor and maintain all gates.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

**Safety****591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

**Comment**

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****Met****Comment**

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

**Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

**Comment**

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. Infants currently not enrolled.

**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****Records Reviewed: 25****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2014

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 08/31/2017

Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/19/1991	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 11/29/2021	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 11/07/2001	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 02/11/2020	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 04/22/2019	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 02/08/2011	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 01/31/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 05/12/2021	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 07/17/2021	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 06/26/2019	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 06/29/2021	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 10/20/2016	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 11/13/2017	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 03/24/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 06/18/2018	

**Records Reviewed: 25****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 10/05/1995	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 08/10/2021	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 08/23/2021	
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 08/07/2019	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 09/01/1991	
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 02/08/2021	
Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 10/30/2020	
Staff # 25	Met
Date of Hire: 01/24/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 13****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** **Met****Comment**

25 of 25 criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

**Comment**

Director provided four file(s) for employees hired since last visit 8/24/2021.

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

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

Discussed staff training. Please obtain required documentation.

**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.

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**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.32 - Reviewed supervision during meal time and feeding with the director.

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.