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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
09/09/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	standing, support, and deficient.
02/17/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
08/24/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	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.

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- 1L/ 6wks- 18 mths	Infants	1	5	С	21	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B- 2L/ 18 mths - 35 mths	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	10	С	16	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C- 3L/ potty trained 2's		0	0	С	18	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	D- 1R/ 3's and 4's	Three Year Olds	2	10	С	29	С	41	С	Art
Main	E- 2R/ GA Prek- Afterschool	PreK	2	15	С	38	С	53	С	Centers
Main	F- 3R/ GA Pre-K	PreK	2	13	С	22	С	31	С	Music
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 14	44		Total C ft.: 180	apacity @	25 sq.			

Total # Children this Date: 53 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 180

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A /1R - 3 and up	55	С
Main	Playground B/2R - 3 and up	62	С
Main	Playground C/ Back - 3 and up	60	С
Main	Playground D/1Left- 6wks to 2 years	25	С
Main	Playground E- Patio/ all ages	13	С

Comments

A Licensing Study visit was conducted on September 9, 2022. Staff files, Transportation, Training, and Comprehensive Records Check files were reviewed.

Safe Sleep Requirements were discussed with the provider.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/09/2022

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.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





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@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free techincal 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)

Farid Giahi, Program Official	Date	LaToya Longshore, 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

Discussed adding toys to enhance variety in Classroom D.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0			
Child # 1	Met			

Child #2 Met

Child #3 Met

Child #5 Met

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

Comment

Child #4

Discussed with the provider to ensure all records are complete and well organized.

Facility 1

Met

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)

Not Met

Comment

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

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 in classroom D, two staff bags were observed accessible to children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2022

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

Met

Comment

Discussed with the provider spray painting tree roots.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.07(5) requires Center Staff to not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. It was determined based on observation in Infant classroom A, a baby was observed with a pacifier attached to their clothing.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will instruct Staff regarding this safety requirement.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2022

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Please ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste.

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

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) Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

	Stall Records
Records Reviewed: 11	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 07/23/2018	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 08/04/2021	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 05/20/2018	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 07/21/2022	Met Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 08/27/2007	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/10/2022	Met Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/13/2020	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 06/28/2021	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 08/17/2022	Met Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Records Reviewed: 11 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 08/17/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 0

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

Met

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

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.