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Cover Sheet

Date: 5/12/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:15 AM **Departure:** 12:30 PM

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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.
09/28/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/22/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/12/2020	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
Main	1st left		0	0	C	24	C	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Left		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	A	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	B	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	0	NC	17	C	Centers
Main	C	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	10	C	12	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Pre-K A		0	0	C	28	C	39	C	
Main	Pre-K B		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 124						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 150				
Total # Children this Date: 22			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 124			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 150				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Right Side Playground	166	C

Comments

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)

Jerome Garland, Program Official

Date

Brandi Mangino, Consultant

Date

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Facility

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

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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**

Technical Assistance

Please ensure the bolts on the bottoms of the toilets have caps or are cut flush.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2022

Finding

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 accessible:

Room A:

- staff purse in corner
- stapler, hand sanitizer and alcohol on a shelf by the door

Room B:

- staff purse
- hanging cord for radio

Room C:

- staff purse
- broom and dust pan located by the brown cubby by the door

Building 2:

AfterSchool Room:

- plunger and toilet brush
- air fresher
- hand sanitizer
- rubber gloves

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: 5/12/2022

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

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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 that a one-year-old child in the 2L Classroom was wearing both a bib and pacifier clip.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will instruct Staff regarding this safety requirement.

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

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

Consultant discussed the diapering station in the 2L Classroom positioning.

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

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

Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.16(f) requires the Center to submit an application for an amended License at least 30 days prior to a change if there is a change in the name of the program or Center, changes in the ages of the children to be served, an increase in the regular hours of operation such that the Center would be providing evening or night-time care in addition to day-time care, changes in the services provided, or additions to or changes in the use of the building by the licensed Center. If an emergency situation arises which makes it impossible to give thirty (30) days' notice, the management of the Center shall notify the Department by telephone and shall submit an application for an amended License as soon as management becomes aware of the change that will be necessitated by the emergency situation. In no case, however, shall a new owner operate the Center without first securing a new License or Permit from the Department. It was determined based on observation that Room B and Room C have diapering children enrolled and the classrooms are not diapering classes.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

An application for amendment and all necessary documentation will be submitted.

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Not Evaluated****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that emergency transportation forms have all areas filled out.

consultant discussed transportation training requirement and it must be taken before the due date every two years.

Correction Deadline: 5/17/2022**Correction Deadline: 9/28/2021****Corrected on 5/12/2022****.36(7)(d)2. - Citation corrected.**

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Met****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: 8**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 08/15/2021

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 06/08/2021

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 06/10/2013

Staff # 4 Met

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/2021

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 04/04/2022

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

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 04/04/2022

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

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Comment

All current staff have a satisfactory criminal record check.

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

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

Comment

Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s).

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) Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.32(4)(b) allows children who turn three years old during the regular school year to remain with two year olds for the remainder of the school year but requires agreement from the older child's Parent(s) for the continued placement. It was determined based on observation that Room C had two-year-old children mixed with three-year-old children without a note.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will secure parental permission and keep it on file.

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR) Met

Comment

Proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, was discussed with the director on this date.