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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/11/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:45 AM

Departure: 11:30 AM

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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.
08/11/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/14/2022	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
05/12/2022	POI Follow Up	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.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes	
Building 2	F		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA		
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			22		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0						
Main	A	Infants	2	5	C	9	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Feeding	
Main	B	Three Year Olds	2	10	C	11	C	NA	NA	Art	
Main	C	Four Year Olds	1	7	C	21	C	NA	NA	Art	
Main	D	One Year Olds	2	8	C	9	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Floor Play	
Main	E	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	9	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			54		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0				
Total # Children this Date:			39		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			76			
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			76		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0						

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building 2	Playground C	72	C
Main	Playground B	3	C
Main	Playground A	55	C

Comments

An electronic copy of the licensing study report was emailed to the provider. An exit conference was conducted virtually.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/11/2022

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 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)

Jacqueline Habersham, Program Official

Date

Kaycee Purvis, Consultant

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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-.03 Activities

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.03(2) requires the Center to keep current lesson plans on site that reflect appropriate instruction practices and activities to support children's development. The Center shall have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the above program of activities in all developmental areas. It was determined based upon observation that Classroom A, Classroom B, Classroom C, Classroom D, and Classroom E did not have current lesson plans.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will keep current lesson plans on site that include appropriate instruction practices and activities and will have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the activities.

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2022

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

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

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

Child # 2

Met

Child # 3

Met

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 4

Met

Child # 5

Met

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.08(2) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed documentation of children's enrollment files during an administrative review.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.19(1) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed the center to maintain appropriate license capacity in all classrooms.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.25(13) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant did not observed hazards accessible to children.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.07(5) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant did not observe hazardous items attached to children or children's clothing.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.20(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant did not observe medication accessible to children.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.36(7)(c)2. - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed completed transportation documentation during an administrative review.

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed completed transportation documentation during an administrative review. .36(7)(c)3. -

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.36(7)(d)1. - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed completed transportation documentation during an administrative review.

Correction Deadline: 5/13/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.36(7)(d)2. - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed completed transportation documentation during an administrative review.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based upon observation that five out eight crib sheets were not tight fitting in Classroom A. It was further determined that four out five crib sheets were not tight fitting in Classroom D.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2022

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 16

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 08/14/2002	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 07/01/2018	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 07/11/2018	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 12/01/2016	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 07/01/2018	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/14/2018	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 12/03/2020	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 05/29/2019	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 01/15/2019	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Correction Deadline: 5/12/2022

Corrected on 8/11/2022

.32(1) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed appropriate Staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.