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Cover Sheet

Date: 11/28/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 11:45 AM

Departure: 1:00 PM

CCLC-51812

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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.
11/28/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
07/08/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
05/26/2022	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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	
Main	A (Far Left)	Infants and One Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap, Diapering, Feeding	
Main	B (Right)	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	9	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap	
Main	C (Middle)	Two Year Olds	1	4	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap	
Main	D (Down Left)		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use	
Main	E (Down Right)	Three Year Olds	2	11	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 31			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A Preschool	89	C
Main	B Infant/Toddler	33	C

Comments

An onsite visit was conducted.
 Required Reporting discussed

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/28/2022

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)

Breyona Clark, Program Official

Date

Michelle Smith, Consultant

Date



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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-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2022

Corrected on 11/28/2022

.03(9) - Consultant observed a positive learning environment on this date. Staff stated that verbal re direction is used to correct behaviors.

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

Met

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that one section of the black rubber wall lining was not attached to the wall as required. In addition, several broken chairs were present in the D (Down Left) classroom posing potential hazards.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 12/2/2022

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

Not Met

Finding

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. It was determined based on observation that two sections of the playground back far left fence on the school age playground was not attached to the top base of the fence material. In addition, one area near the entrance and exit of the school age playground fence was not attached to the base as well.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 12/5/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(8) - Consultant discussed with center director to ensure that playground mulch and/or wood chips are beneath the fall zones as required.

Correction Deadline: 12/8/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Consultant discussed with program director to ensure that standing water in the brown sand box is removed prior to the children accessing the playground.

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2022

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Met

Comment

Per the provider the center currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.29 - Consultant discussed with the program director to ensure that all program closures are reported via KOALA to the Department prior to the closing date or immediately upon notice of closure.

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) **Met**

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

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.

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: 12

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/12/2019	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/08/2019	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/07/2019	
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 01/19/2021	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 09/08/2021	
Staff # 8	Met

Records Reviewed: 12

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 08/17/2020

Staff # 9 Met

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 08/07/2019

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 08/14/2020

Staff # 12 Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

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

Comment

Consultant observed 12 of 12 center staff to have valid Satisfactory Comprehensive Criminal Records Check Determination letters issued by the Department as required.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.