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Cover Sheet

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

Arrival: 10:15 AM

Departure: 1:40 PM

CCLC-46309

Small Wonders Playcare Center Evans

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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	
09/19/2022	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
02/22/2022	Licensing Study	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	Left Front	PreK	2	21	C	19	NC	26	C	Transitioning, Centers	
Main	Left Rear	Infants	1	5	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning	
Main	Middle Left	One Year Olds	2	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning	
Main	Middle Right	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	19	C	31	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Main	Right Front A (Nursery 2)	Infants	1	3	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play	
Main	Right Front B (Pre-K)	PreK	2	18	C	25	C	35	C	Centers	
Main	Right Rear	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	34	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 164					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 166						
Total # Children this Date: 93			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 164			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 166			Building @25 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- Left	28	C
Main	PG- Middle Playground	59	C
Main	PG- Right Playground	144	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit and to follow up on the previous visit on this date.

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.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov 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)

Tina Westbrook, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, 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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined, based on observation, that a red chair in the Right Rear classroom beside the stack of cots was observed to be cracked with sharp edges on this date. It was further determined that the small table in the Right Rear classroom was observed to have blue trim that was broken with sharp edges on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 12/2/2022

Recited on 11/28/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.12(3) requires that equipment and furniture be placed so as to permit the children's freedom of movement and to minimize danger of accident and collision. It was determined, based on observation, that stacked chairs were observed in the Right Front B (Pre-K) classroom on this date which posed as a potential danger of accident and collision on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will re-position the identified equipment and/or furniture and the director will view each classroom to verify appropriate make changes, as needed, and have a system to monitor these items.

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2022

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

N/A

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(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 in the Right Front B Classroom, a vacuum cleaner was observed accessible to children in the classroom and a mop, mop bucket, and toilet brush were observed accessible to children in the bathroom on this date.

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: 11/28/2022**Recited on 11/28/2022****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) - The Consultant discussed with the assistant director to please ensure ventilation/exhaust fans were dusted on a routine basis, as two classrooms had ventilation/exhaust fans in the bathroom and over the diaper changing table with a thick layer of dust on this date.

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2022

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 3/4/2022**Corrected on 11/28/2022**

.26(6) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that all playground equipment was observed to be free of hazards and maintained in good repair on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2022**Corrected on 11/28/2022**

.26(9) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the playground was observed to be kept clean, free of litter, and free of hazards on this date.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Not Met****Correction Deadline: 9/19/2022****Corrected on 11/28/2022**

.15(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the center had complete written infant feeding plans for each infant enrolled on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.15(2)(c) requires age-appropriate solid foods (including cereal) not be given to infants or children less than one (1) year of age until recommended as developmentally appropriate by the child's primary care physician and indicated in writing by the Parent(s) and requires a child to be fed from individual spoons and individual containers or dishes as soon as the feeding plan indicates that a child is ready for solid foods. A child shall not be fed directly from the original baby food container if the contents are to be fed to the child at more than one (1) meal or to more than one (1) child. It was determined, based on review of records, that the infant feeding plan for one infant indicated that the infant should be fed bottles prepared by the parent with rice cereal mixed in, which was not age-appropriate. Staff stated that the bottles were fed to the infant without a note from the child's primary physician.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that age-appropriate solid foods are given only as recommended by the child's physician and upon written instruction by the Parent(s). The Center will provide a sufficient number of spoons and dishes/containers and will train staff on proper feeding practices, review the procedures regularly and monitor to ensure procedures are followed.

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined, based on observation, that two unlabeled bottles were observed present in the refrigerator located in the Right Front A (Nursery 2) classroom on this date, when it was required for the bottles to be labeled with the individual child's name on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to follow the required procedures, ensure that parents are fully informed, and will review and monitor regularly.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures

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

Correction Deadline: 3/25/2022

Corrected on 11/28/2022

.21(3) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the center had documentation for conducting fire drills monthly and tornado and lockdown drills every six months as required on this date.

Safety

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

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**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 26**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 09/22/2016

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 09/22/2016

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 10/26/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hiredStaff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 03/30/2022

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 01/14/2019

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/1987

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 07/22/2020

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/1993

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2022

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 03/16/2017

Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 07/28/2022	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 09/22/2016	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 04/29/2021	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 09/23/2021	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 08/01/2018	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 09/20/2021	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 09/22/2021	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 04/25/1989	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 04/29/2021	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 07/16/2019	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 10/01/1989	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 08/06/2021	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 09/20/2021	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 12/29/2015	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 09/01/1989	Met

Staff # 26

Met

Date of Hire: 09/22/2016

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 15

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Met

Comment

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

Correction Deadline: 4/25/2022

Corrected on 11/28/2022

.14(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that 100% of staff had evidence of completing first aid and CPR training on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/1/2022

Corrected on 11/28/2022

.33(3) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that all staff had evidence of completion of the Health and Safety Orientation Training, which was required within 90 days of hire.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.