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Cover Sheet

Date: 6/22/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 2:25 PM

Departure: 4:30 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.
06/22/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/05/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
10/01/2021	Complaint Investigation & 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	Room A- Prek I	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	10	C	25	C	NA	NA	TV
Main	Room B Prek II		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room C	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	11	C	26	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	Room D	Three Year Olds	2	9	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room E	Two Year Olds	1	4	C	18	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Room F	Two Year Olds	1	3	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room G	One Year Olds	1	3	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Diapering
Main	Room H	Infants	1	2	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 170			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 42			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 170							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	105	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/23/2022

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/RuleAndRegulations.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)

Thomasina Thornton, Program Official

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)

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.12(1) - Please ensure children are strapped in when using the feeding table.

Correction Deadline: 6/22/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(2) - Please continue to monitor all equipment and furniture for peeling paint and repair when needed.

Correction Deadline: 6/22/2022

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 # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.08(1) - Please review enrollment forms to ensure they are completely filled out to included addresses of pick up persons.

Correction Deadline: 6/22/2022

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****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(13) - Please ensure all hazardous supplies are stored in a locked cabinet or stored up high inaccessible to children in care.

Correction Deadline: 6/22/2022

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 the following hazards were present:

The steps leading to the playground have carpet that was not completely attached posing a tripping hazard.

C- Paint was peeling off the walls in the classroom and the restroom. The child size sink had a knob missing with an exposed screw.

D- A hole measuring 5 1/2" L x 1/2"W was in the right side wall close to the restroom.

E- Paint was peeling off the walls throughout the classroom along with the handwashing sink cabinet doors.

F- Paint was peeling off the right side of the wooden black shelf.

G- Paint was peeling off the left side wall.

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: 8/1/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(8) - Please continue to monitor cords in use to ensure they are inaccessible to children in care.

Correction Deadline: 6/22/2022

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were present:

The back left tire on the red child size jeep was coming apart.

The blue climbing structure, the blue and red child size seats with steering wheels had paint chipping and rust.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 7/2/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Please continue to monitor for sticks daily before children play on the playground.

Correction Deadline: 6/22/2022

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 19

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 11/02/2015

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 01/07/2022

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 09/24/2018

Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/10/1996	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/1996	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 02/10/2021	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 05/16/2017	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 11/05/2017	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 05/20/2022	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 04/25/2022	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 04/10/2018	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 09/12/2021	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 06/18/2021	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 02/15/2022	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 05/05/2022	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 05/16/2022	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/1996	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 10/29/2018	

Staff # 19

Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2019

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 7 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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.