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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/10/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:15 AM **Departure:** 11:10 AM

CCLC-51291

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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.
08/10/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/17/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/16/2021	Licensing Study	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	A-1st Left	One Year Olds	2	6	C	11	C	NA	NA	Art, Transitioning
Main	B-2nd left		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	C-1st Front Right	Four Year Olds	2	11	C	28	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	D-3rd Left		0	0	C	47	C	NA	NA	
Main	E-4th Left	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	F-2nd Right	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 137						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Total # Children this Date: 43 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 137 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground: 3 yr and Up	69	C
Main	Playground: Infant and Toddler	6	C
Main	Playground: Two Year old	15	C

Comments

An in-person inspection was conducted on August 10, 2022 with the Provider. Background checks were all reviewed on August 10, 2022.

An Administrative Review was completed on August 24, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/10/2022

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)

Brittany Siler, Program Official

Date

Carrie Spangler, 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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

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

Comment

Discussed maintenance of cubbies in the 2nd Right Classroom.

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 following hazards were accessible to children:

1st Left Classroom

- Boxes of plastic gloves were observed on the small refrigerator.
- A broom and dust pan were observed next to the small refrigerator.

3rd Left Classroom

- A broom and dust pan were near the door of the classroom.
- A large bottle of hand sanitizer was observed on top of a shelf.
- A toilet brush was observed, next to the toilet, in the girls bathroom.
- A box of plastic gloves were observed on top of a shelf, near the three-year-old classroom door.

4th Left Classroom

- A broom and dust pan were near the sink.

2nd Right Classroom

- Boxes of plastic gloves were in the black plastic drawers, near the diaper changing table.
- A toilet brush was observed in the bathroom, near the toilets.
- a broom and dust pan were in the corner of the classroom.

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: 8/10/2022

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

Discussed maintaining playground equipment and area. This included the large block of cement and the exterior of the building.

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

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**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**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: 10****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 03/29/2018	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/06/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 04/25/2019	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 03/07/2021	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 06/07/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 12/31/2018	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 01/13/2020	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 07/26/2021	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 10/02/2021	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 06/23/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

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

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Correction Deadline: 10/16/2021

Corrected on 8/10/2022

.33(5) - Annual training was observed to be completed for 2021.

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.