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Cover Sheet

Date: 2/15/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:55 AM

Departure: 1:55 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.
02/15/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/14/2021	Incident Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
07/26/2021	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	Room A	Infants	2	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding, Diapering
Main	Room B	Infants	3	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room C	One Year Olds	4	16	C	19	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room D	One Year Olds	3	16	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Room E	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	17	C	23	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Room F	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	17	C	23	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	Room G	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	18	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room H	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	19	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room I	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	20	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room J	GA PreK	2	20	C	23	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Room K		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 218					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 157			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 218			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	62	C
Main	Playground B	95	C
Main	Playground C	139	C

Comments

A Licensing Study was conducted on February 15, 2022 with the Director, Donna Samples. An Administrative Review was conducted on March 8, 2022. Staff files, children’s files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. Consultant provided CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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 New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
 Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.state.ga.us/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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.



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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

Equipment and furniture were 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.

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

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

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

	Facility
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591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

The consultant and director discussed plans to monitor ventilation in all bathrooms and diapering areas.

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center.

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

Met

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date. Consultant and director discussed measures to ensure the center and surrounding premises to be kept clean and in good repair.

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. Consultant discussed with director plans for monitoring playground, including checking tricycles for rust and monitoring plastic covers on chains.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - The consultant discussed with the director to ensure that there is adequate drainage on the playgrounds.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2022

	Food Service
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591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Comment

Consultant observed updated infant feeding forms.

Comment

Consultant provided Updated CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized. The consultant discussed with the director to ensure that containers for food storage other than the original container or package in which the food was obtained shall be impervious and non-absorbent, have tight-fitting lids or covers and labeled as to contents.

	Health and Hygiene
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591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/14/2021

Corrected on 2/15/2022

.10(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed staff to routinely disinfect changing table immediately after diaper changing.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) **Met**

Correction Deadline: 10/14/2021

Corrected on 2/15/2022

.17(7) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed staff assisting children to wash hands after completing the diapering procedures.

Correction Deadline: 10/14/2021

Corrected on 2/15/2022

.17(8) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed staff washing hands immediately completing the diapering procedures.

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**

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices **Met**

Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting **Met**

Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **Met**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Consultant observed documentation of current/completed inspections for both vehicles, license #CPK9847 and license #CPK9833, used for transporting children.

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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Comment

Staff stated knowledge of safe infant sleeping position.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(d) - Consultant discussed arrangement of sleeping equipment and ensuring that the children are placed on their cots and/or mats so that one child's head is toward another child's feet in the same row.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2022

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 41

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 02/14/2022	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/02/2021	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 04/29/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 01/11/2022	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 12/31/2021	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 01/19/2021	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 02/04/2021	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 06/03/2021	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 07/27/2021	
Staff # 10	Met

Date of Hire: 10/20/2020

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 11/11/2021

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/2020

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 08/09/2021

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 10/18/2021

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 08/20/2021

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 02/26/2021

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 09/30/2020

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 01/31/2022

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 11/19/2020

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 06/04/2021

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 09/16/2021

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 04/28/2021

Staff # 23 Met

Date of Hire: 06/28/2021

Staff # 24 Met

Date of Hire: 01/24/2022

Staff # 25 Met

Date of Hire: 02/23/2021

Staff # 26 Met

Date of Hire: 05/21/2021

Staff # 27 Met

Date of Hire: 06/14/2021

Staff # 28 Met

Date of Hire: 11/18/2021

Staff # 29 Met

Date of Hire: 02/10/2020

Staff # 30 Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2021

Staff # 31 Met

Date of Hire: 09/06/2021

Staff # 32 Met

Date of Hire: 07/07/2020

Staff # 33 Met

Date of Hire: 11/22/2021

Staff # 34 Met

Date of Hire: 03/09/2020

Staff # 35 Met

Date of Hire: 08/02/2021

Staff # 36 Met

Date of Hire: 02/11/2022

Staff # 37 Met

Date of Hire: 01/24/2022

Staff # 38 Met

Date of Hire: 02/08/2021

Staff # 39 Met

Date of Hire: 01/05/2022

Staff # 40 Met

Date of Hire: 08/09/2021

Staff # 41

Met

Date of Hire: 06/20/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 13

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)

Met

Comment

Director provided 19 files for employees hired since last visit.

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

Met

Comment

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles.

Comment

Please ensure that newly hired staff members complete the required first aid and CPR training within the first 90-days of their date of hire.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Comment

Director described process in place for completing initial center orientation prior to staff assignment to children or task.

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Met

Comment

Consultant observed documentation that lead teachers without a credential are currently enrolled in a program of study to obtain one of the educational credentials and qualifying experience requirements.

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

Discussed proper supervision: responding promptly, bathrooms and playgrounds.

Comment

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

Consultant and director discussed proper supervision on playgrounds.