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Cover Sheet

Date: 10/6/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 8:15 AM **Departure:** 12:45 PM

CCLC-17661

Meadowdale Learning Center - Houston Lake Road

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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.
10/06/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/19/2022	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
02/03/2022	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 Pre-K 2	PreK	2	12	C	33	C	46	C	Circle Time
Main	B Pre-K 1	PreK	2	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	C (3 Year Olds)	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Out side
Main	D (3 Year Olds)	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	E (2 Year Olds)	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	F (1 Year Olds)	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	5	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	G (Infants)	Infants	1	5	C	15	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 134						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 147				
Total # Children this Date: 54			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 134			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 147				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant/Toddler Playground	17	C
Main	Large Playground	171	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licensing Study. The visit was conducted on this date.

Consultant reviewed required documentation for a licensing study on this date. Documents included: staff files, training, cpr, children's enrollment forms, emergency drills and transportation records.

An exit conference was conducted with the director discussing the Licensing study report on this date.

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 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)

Rhonda Overton, Program Official

Date

Charlene Story, Consultant

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)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

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

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms **Met**

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 on this date.

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

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(4) - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure gaps at the bottom of the gate near the building at the back of the Large Playground, do not exceed three and a half (3 and 1/2) inches.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(8) - Consultant discussed with Director about adding more resilient surface to cover fall zones.

Correction Deadline: 10/16/2022

Food Service

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

Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3

Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Met**

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) **Met**

Comment

Proper diapering procedures was observed by the consultant in Classroom E.

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures in Classroom G-Infants.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands in Classroom E and Classroom C. In addition, staff were observed to wash hands properly in Classroom E.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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 for COVID 19, Serious Injuries and Temporarily Closures.

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 redirection was observed in Classroom E, when staff redirected child back to the table for art.

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.

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: 18

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 05/18/1998	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 09/09/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 10/07/2020	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 07/27/2021	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 07/08/2022	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 09/05/2017	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/23/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/13/2020	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 01/29/2007	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 12/20/2021	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 11/09/2018	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 09/27/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 09/07/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 01/24/2017	Met

Records Reviewed: 18

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 08/08/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 08/08/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 04/18/2019	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 10/11/2021	

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-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) **Met**

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Please replace or add any missing or expired items in the first aid kits.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Met**

Comment

Consultant observed the required ten (10) hours of annual training for the year 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.