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Date: 3/22/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 3:30 PM **Departure:** 5:00 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
03/22/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing
09/23/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
02/26/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing

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.

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	111		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	113	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	138		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	140		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	142		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	145		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	147	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	7	C	18	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	150		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	153		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	161		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	165		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	169		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	lunchroom		0	0	C	72	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 260						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 18			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 260			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	playground	138	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on April 5, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on April 5, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on February 15, 2021 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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

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.

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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

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

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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.

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

N/A

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

Correction Deadline: 10/27/2020

Corrected on 3/22/2021

.08(1) - 5 of 5 children records were observed to be complete on this date.

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)**Met****Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit

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**

Handwashing was observed.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director/Provider on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**N/A****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**

Staff stated proper SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 08/13/2018	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 11/02/2017	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 03/11/2014	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 08/15/2016	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 08/08/2005	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 01/05/2004	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/06/2018	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 03/20/2006	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 10/24/2000	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 02/27/2018	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 06/21/2006	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 03/27/2018	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 08/25/2006	Met
Staff # 16	Met

Records Reviewed: 19

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 08/22/2005

Staff # 17

Met

Date of Hire: 02/06/2006

Staff # 18

Met

Date of Hire: 09/30/2003

Staff # 19

Met

Date of Hire: 03/05/2019

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.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/27/2020

Corrected on 3/22/2021

.14(1) - CPR/First Aid certification observed for staff.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/27/2020

Corrected on 3/22/2021

.33(3) - Documentation observed of required staff training.

Correction Deadline: 3/11/2020

Corrected on 3/22/2021

.33(5) - Documentation observed of required staff training.

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

Met

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on February 15, 2021.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.