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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
05/04/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing
05/04/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing
04/06/2022	Licensing Study	Support

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	A/1L	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	29	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	B-2L-1's	One Year Olds	2	11	C	24	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-Front-4's, 5's&up		0	0	C	33	C	46	C	Not In Use
Main	D-3L-4's	Four Year Olds	2	20	C	25	C	35	C	Transitioning,Lunch
Main	E-4R-3's		0	0	C	25	C	35	C	Not In Use
Main	F-3R-3's	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	23	C	33	C	Nap
Main	G-2R-3's	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	23	C	32	C	Nap
Main	H-1R-1's&2's	Two Year Olds	2	20	C	24	C	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 206				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 258				
Total # Children this Date: 89		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 206				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 258				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG/A/Small	17	C
Main	PG/B/Large	116	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/04/2022

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.decal.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

QUALITY RATED CHILD CARE

CAPS

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 a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov **for more information. Free techincal 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)

Samantha McPherson, Program Official Date

LaTanya Barber-Swift, Consultant Date

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.03(2) requires the Center to keep current lesson plans on site that reflect appropriate instruction practices and activities to support children's development The Center shall have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the above program of activities in all developmental areas. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the following classrooms did not have current lesson plans accessible: 2R,/G 3R/F, 3L/D,2L/B, and 1L/A.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will keep current lesson plans on site that include appropriate instruction practices and activities and will have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the activities.

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Facility

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

Defer
591-1-1-.25(11)-This rule will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary.

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.25(13) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The Desitin baby rash cream and hand sanitizer were no longer accessible to the children in classroom B/2L. The broom and dust pan were no longer accessible to the children in classroom G/2R. The safety latch was repaired in classroom F/3R. Classroom E/4R was not in use, the hazards were no longer accessible in the cabinet under the sink.

Defer
591-1-1-.25(3)-This rule will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit.

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: 5/6/2022

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.25(8) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The crib was no longer located near the outlet. The outlet was observed covered.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical **Defer**

Defer
591-1-1-.25(14)-This rule will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
To ensure that appropriate lighting is provided, the center will repair the light.

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

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

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.26(6) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The hazardous equipment was removed from the playground.

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.26(9) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The tree roots were no longer exposed on the playground.

Food Service

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

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.15(3) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. There was a thermometer located in the refrigerator in classroom1L/A and in classroom 2L/B.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health **Met**

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.07(5) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. There were no pacifiers observed attached to the children's clothing.

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

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.10(4) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The diaper changing pad was replaced in classroom A/1L and in classroom B/2L.

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

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.17(2) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The children were observed napping with their nose and face clean.

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.17(6) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. Classroom 4R/E was not in use. The trash can in classroom 3L/D had a tight-fitting lid.

Safety

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

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.11(1) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The staff members stated that redirection was the method used to discipline the children in care.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) **Defer**

Defer
591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2.-This rule will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.30(1)(a)1 - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The crib was removed from classroom 1L/A and was no longer in use.

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.30(1)(a)3 - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The crib sheets that were in use were tight-fitting as required.

Staff Records

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

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.14(3) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. First aid kits were observed on the transportation vehicles.

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

Defer
591-1-1-.33(3)-This rule will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

Defer
591-1-1-.33(5)-This rule will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

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

Defer
591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2.-This rule will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will ensure that the Director meets the minimum education and work requirements and secure the necessary documentation.

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.32(5) requires that during day-time rest or sleeping periods, at least one Staff person is in each room providing direct supervision of the children and all Staff required by these rules relating to Staff: child ratios are in the Center and available to assure safe evacuation in an emergency. Staff: child ratios may be doubled for children three (3) years and older provided these requirements are met. It was determined based on observation that the one- year- old classroom was out of ratio with one staff member supervising 13 one-year-olds during nap time.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will rearrange staff schedules to ensure the required number of staff are in each room and available.

Correction Deadline: 2/22/2022

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR) **Met**

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2022

Corrected on 5/4/2022
.32(7) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. Adequate supervision was observed throughout the center, classroom 4R/E was no longer in use.