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Date: 10/17/2019 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
10/17/2019	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing
09/11/2019	Initial 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	A-Main-2L	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	B-Main-3L		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	C-Main-4L		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	D-Main-4R		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	E-Main-3R	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	F-Main-2R	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	G-Main-1R	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	3	C	12	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	H-Main-Chapel		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	I-Lower Level-Cafeteria		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	J-Upper Level-1L	Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	K-Upper Level-1R	Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			98			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 35			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	44	C

Comments

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.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

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.ga.gov.

- 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.ga.gov/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.ga.gov/>
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.ga.gov

VELVA WATKIN, Program Official

Date

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2019

Corrected on 10/17/2019

.12(4) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed that all computer monitors were secured, the shelf unit was removed and the television set was not on the cart.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/11/2019

Corrected on 10/17/2019

.06(4) - Previous citation was corrected on this date as consultant observed that all bathroom exhausts were operating and new exhausts were installed in the Upper Level bathrooms. The bathrooms on the Lower Level are not currently in use.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2019

Corrected on 10/17/2019

.25(13) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed that all hazards were inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 9/25/2019

Corrected on 10/17/2019

.25(3) - Previous citation was corrected on this date as consultant observed that all lights had covers and the base board was re-attached.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/11/2019

Corrected on 10/17/2019

.26(9) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed that the rust and peeling paint were removed, the exposed wires were removed, the shingles were re attached, the hole in the concrete was filled, and the moss was removed.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

No children enrolled who require diapering. School age children attend only for after school hours.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures. Please ensure that all fields on the Medication Authorization Form are complete.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation. The provider stated that planning to go on a field trip next month using transportation company. Consultant discussed all transportation and field trip requirements with the Director on this date- name tags, Transportation training, CPR/First aid training, Checklists, Permission Forms, Emergency Medical Forms, First Aid kit.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

There are no infants enrolled in the program. 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: 14

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 10/25/2019	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 08/05/2019	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/29/2016	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 09/30/2019	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 09/13/2019	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 09/23/2019	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/06/2019	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 09/27/2019	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 10/10/2019	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 09/13/2019	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 10/10/2019	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 09/13/2019	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/04/2019	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 08/05/2019	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

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

Met

Comment

Comprehensive Criminal record checks were observed to be complete for 22 staff, Independent Contractors and Volunteers.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2019

Corrected on 10/17/2019

.14(1) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed current CPR/First aid training for the Director and 50% of staff.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2019

Corrected on 10/17/2019

.33(1) - Previous citation corrected on this date as consultant observed complete Orientation form in all staff.

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.