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Date: 5/22/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 12:40 PM **Departure:** 1:15 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
05/22/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing
10/29/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
10/07/2019	Complaint Closure	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-1L- Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B-2L & 3L- 1's-2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	D- Back Right-3's	Three Year Olds	2	10	C	26	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Outside
Main	E Downstairs Pre-K	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	13	C	39	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Outside
Main	F- Downstairs A/S	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	11	C	33	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 135						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 51			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 135			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	infant/toddler playground	18	C
Main	Large playground (older children)	99	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on May 22, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on June 25, 2020 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 12, 2020 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/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.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

Lance Elam, Program Official

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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(4) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Equipment and toys were observed to be secure during the virtual walk through.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.35(1) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be evaluated on the next regulatory visit. Consultant discussed the CDC guidelines and recommendations for swimming during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2020

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)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.19(1) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Licensed capacity was observed to be met by center during the virtual walk through.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

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

591-1-1-.25(13) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. No hazards or cleaning products were observed accessible to children during the virtual walk through.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

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

591-1-1-.26(9) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Playground was observed to be clean and in good repair. Center was observed to sanitize playground equipment between each group of children.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

Food Service

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

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Kitchen appears clean and well organized. Cleaning products observed to be stored separately from food.

Health and Hygiene

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

591-1-1-.10(4) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Diapering procedures were not directly observed but hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date. Staff stated proper knowledge of appropriate diapering procedures.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.17(7) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing was not directing observed. Hand washing requirements were discussed with the Director on this date. Staff stated proper knowledge of appropriate hand washing procedures.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(3) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be evaluated during the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2020

591-1-1-.22 Parental Access**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.22 - Parental access is limited due to the COVID-19 Executive Order.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

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

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**N/A****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.11(2) - 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 on this date.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(7)(c) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be evaluated on the next regulatory visit. Transportation is restricted due to the COVID-19 Executive Order.

Correction Deadline: 5/23/2020

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(b) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. SIDS and safe sleep practices were discussed with the Director on this date. Proper procedures for cot and sheet cleaning and sanitizing were discussed with the Director on this date.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 17

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 04/29/2019	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 09/04/2019	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 06/02/1999	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/1984	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 08/21/2006	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/1984	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 10/25/2005	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 04/08/2019	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 05/23/1994	

Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 11/01/1999	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 05/14/1998	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 07/29/2019	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 10/17/1994	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 09/01/2019	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9

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

Comment

Director provided four files for employees hired since last visit.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.09(1)(j) - Ensure all substitutes and employees that transfer between centers are ported electronically.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

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

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.14(3) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be evaluated on the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 6/1/2020

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.31(13) - 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 May 12, 2020.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.32(1) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Appropriate staff:child ratios were observed during the virtual walk through.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.32(7) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Adequate supervision was observed during virtual walk through.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2020