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Cover Sheet

Date: 11/29/2021 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 8:15 AM **Departure:** 9:20 AM

CCLC-50217

Big Blue Marble - Hwy 155

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
11/29/2021	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing
08/10/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
04/13/2021	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: 1R: Infants	Infants	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B: 2R: older two's	Two Year Olds	2	25	C	20	NC	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C: 3R: two's		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	D: 4R : three's		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	E: 5R : Pre-K	GA PreK	2	21	C	25	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Circle Time
Main	F: 6R: Pre-K	GA PreK	2	16	C	25	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	G: 6L : Pre-K	GA PreK	2	20	C	26	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	H: 5L: Four's	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	8	C	25	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Circle Time
Main	I: 4L: three's	Three Year Olds	2	19	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	J: 3L: two's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	10	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Circle Time
Main	K: 2L: one's		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 217

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 126 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 217

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd A - Right Front - 6wks- 12mths	19	C


Main	Plgd B- RM- 3 years	89	C
Main	Plgd C- Back - 4 and up	177	C
Main	Plgd D- Left Back - 2's	27	C
Main	Plgd E- Left Front - 1's	16	C

Comments

11-30-2021: The purpose of the visit was to conduct an incident investigation and to follow up on the previous visit.



Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 01/15/2022

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.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 New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

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

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)

Kim Barger, Program Official

Date

Tasha McDonald, Consultant

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Findings Report

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

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 45**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 10/02/2002	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 11/05/2018	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/22/2008	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 06/20/2008	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 09/05/2016	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2011	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 11/05/2018	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 03/03/2020	
Staff # 9	Met

Records Reviewed: 45**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 11/29/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 02/21/2019

Staff # 11

Met

Date of Hire: 11/17/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 12

Met

Date of Hire: 05/30/2013

Staff # 13

Met

Date of Hire: 11/05/2018

Staff # 14

Met

Date of Hire: 08/16/2021

Staff # 15

Met

Date of Hire: 03/09/2015

Staff # 16

Met

Date of Hire: 04/08/2019

Staff # 17

Met

Date of Hire: 10/23/2018

Staff # 18

Met

Date of Hire: 08/07/2014

Staff # 19

Met

Date of Hire: 11/01/2008

Staff # 20

Met

Date of Hire: 11/05/2018

Staff # 21

Met

Date of Hire: 12/31/2005

Staff # 22

Met

Date of Hire: 12/04/2007

Staff # 23

Met

Staff # 24

Met

Date of Hire: 11/05/2018

Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 11/05/2018	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 11/05/2018	Met
Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 11/05/2018	Met
Staff # 28 Date of Hire: 09/22/2021	Met
Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 07/25/2005	Met
Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 11/05/2018	Met
Staff # 31 Date of Hire: 08/02/2021	Met
Staff # 32 Date of Hire: 08/29/2021	Met
Staff # 33 Date of Hire: 02/25/2020	Met
Staff # 34 Date of Hire: 06/08/2014	Met
Staff # 35 Date of Hire: 04/19/2018	Met
Staff # 36 Date of Hire: 03/06/2019	Met
Staff # 37 Date of Hire: 11/22/2021	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 38 Date of Hire: 11/14/2019	Met
Staff # 39 Date of Hire: 02/04/2020	Met

Records Reviewed: 45

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 40	Met
Staff # 41	Met
Date of Hire: 01/06/2020	
Staff # 42	Met
Date of Hire: 10/04/2021	
Staff # 43	Met
Date of Hire: 02/09/2008	
Staff # 44	Met
Date of Hire: 11/05/2018	
Staff # 45	Met
Date of Hire: 09/29/2021	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 11

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

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2021

Corrected on 11/29/2021

.09(1)(j) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed all staff to have obtained a satisfactory criminal record determination on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Finding

591-1-1-.32(1) requires the Center to maintain the required Staff:child ratios as follows: under 1 year or under 18 months if not walking = 1:6; 1 year and walking = 1:8; 2 years = 1:10; 3 years = 1:15; 4 years = 1:18; 5 years = 1:20;and 6 years and older = 1:25. A Center must establish groupings of children for care with maximum group sizes as follows: under 1 year = 12; under 18 months/not walking = 12; 1 year and walking = 16; 2 years = 20; 3 years = 30; 4 years = 36; 5 years = 40; and 6 years and older = 50. It was determined based on observation that in classroom A: IR, one staff member cared for 7 infants.

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Correction Deadline: 11/29/2021