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Cover Sheet

Date: 5/27/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:15 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-51860

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
05/27/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/10/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
12/02/2021	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit POI Follow Up	Good Standing	

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
Building 2	Room E	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	A	One Year Olds	2	5	C	24	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	B	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	24	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	24	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	D		0	0	C	24	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 96			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 23			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 108			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	71	C
Main	B	10	C

Comments

An in-person Monitoring Visit was conducted on May 27, 2022. All criminal background checks were reviewed during the visit. The visit report was completed on June 3, 2022 and emailed to the director on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/27/2022

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 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 at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical 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)

Skye Starks, Program Official

Date

Jerica Davis, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Comment

Please ensure that there is a soft mat under the ladder of the climbing boat in classroom A to help eliminate injuries in case of a fall.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that each Employee and child in attendance to use all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use. All equipment and furniture shall be used only by the age-appropriate group of children. Please ensure that if the wooden triangle climber is not secure, that it is removed until it is in proper working order.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. Please inspect the foam climbing blocks in classroom B for tears and repair or replace as needed.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. Please ensure all shelves in classroom A are secured to prevent tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

Please complete a thorough inspection of Classroom D to ensure the room and equipment are free from hazards before the room is in use. Please ensure wooden blocks are stacked to a safe level to prevent injuries, all equipment and chairs are free from hazards, and all cleaning supplies are stored inaccessible to children.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. Please ensure that the rug in classroom A is smooth to prevent tripping.

Correction Deadline: 6/26/2022**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were stored accessible to children:

- In the bathroom of classroom D, two mops, a mop bucket, a broom and dustpan, and a toilet brush were stored accessible to children.
- In classroom D, a staff backpack with bug spray in the side pocket was stored accessible to children.
- In classroom E, a pair of adult scissors, a tape dispenser with a blade, a stapler, and a vacuum were stored accessible to children.
- In the special purpose space, a vacuum was stored accessible to children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure to keep the Center and surrounding premises clean, free of debris, and in good repair. Please repair the small hole in the back right corner of classroom D.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(8) requires protective caps on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following outlets needed covers and electrical cords were in need of being secured:

- On playground A, an outlet cover was missing leaving two outlets exposed and posed a potential hazard.
- In classroom D, the cord to the Alexa device was hanging from an outlet to the top of the half wall and posed a potential hazard.
- In the special purpose space, a security camera cord was hanging near the door to the playground and posed a potential hazard.
- In classroom E, two outlets were missing the covers and posed a potential hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to check outlets and replace protective caps when needed and identify and monitor how outlets in use are inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that the following playground hazards were observed:

- On playground A, a green hose was observed in the front middle section and posed a potential trip hazard.
- On playground A, a tall window screen was observed leaning against the building and posed a potential hazard.
- On playground A, a large blue tarp was observed next to the building and posed a potential trip hazard.
- On playground A, green mesh netting was observed near the merry-go-round, and in the front middle section and posed a potential trip hazard.
- On playground A, many sticks and large pieces of moss were observed on the right side of the playground around the play structure and was in need of being removed.
- On playground A, tree roots were observed in the front left side of the playground near the shed and posed a potential trip hazard.
- On playground A, the grass on the left side of the playground was tall and was in need of being cut.
- On playground A, there was several cups and pieces of trash throughout the playground that was in need of being removed.
- On playground A, a long wood board was observed on the front left side of the playground and posed a potential trip hazard.
- On playground A, a yellow slide was store on it's side next to the storage shed and posed a potential hazard.
- On playground B, a large tree limb was observed to be hanging within reach of the children and posed a potential hazard.
- On playground B, the grass surfacing was covered in leaves and was in need of being cleaned.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022

Food Service

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. Please ensure that infant bottles are prepared by the parent are stored in the refrigerator. Please ensure bottles are labeled with the child's name and the date.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that the diaper changing surface is smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. Please ensure that under the changing pad is cleaned after each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Please ensure all classroom have liquid hand washing soap available at all times for hand washing.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste.

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that all hand washing sinks have warm running water for hand washing. Please ensure the hot water remains on for hand washing in classroom A.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2022

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

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: 15

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 02/03/2022

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 02/18/2022

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 02/08/2021

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 02/04/2022

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 08/06/2021

Records Reviewed: 15**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 01/31/2022

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 09/26/2019

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 05/23/2022

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

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 09/13/2021

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 09/16/2021

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 02/07/2022

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 10/07/2019

Staff # 13 Met

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 05/20/2022

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

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 02/03/2022

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 10 files for employees hired since the last visit.

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**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that the supervision plan created for classroom E to transition to and from the playground and main building is used each time children leave the classroom. Two staff members should be present during all transitions. One staff member should lead the class and the second staff member should follow the class to ensure all children are accounted for.

Correction Deadline: 12/10/2021

Corrected on 5/27/2022

.32(7) - This citation was observed to have been corrected on this date. Appropriate supervision was observed throughout the visit.