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Cover Sheet

Date: 9/13/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 11:00 AM

Departure: 1:15 PM

CCLC-50464

Daily Blessings Academy

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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.
09/13/2022	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/13/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
07/06/2022	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	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 II	Classroom E	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	27	C	38	C	Free Play,Centers
Building II	Classroom F		0	0	C	15	C	21	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 42			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 123							
Main	A- 1's and 2's		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	B- 3's and up	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	19	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap,Diapering
Main	C- 2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	7	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers,Diapering,Free Play
Main	D- 6wks - 12mth		0	0	C	5	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 81			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 81			Building @35 capacity limited by Playground Limitations				
Total # Children this Date: 22			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 123			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 123				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - All Ages	27	C

Comments

September 13, 2022--The visit was completed on this date.

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)

Laquita Green, Program Official

Date

Penny Svenson, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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) **Met**

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/6/2022

Corrected on 9/13/2022

The corrections were observed on the date of the visit.

Food Service

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

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.07(5) requires Center Staff to not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. It was determined based on observation that an infant was asleep in a crib and had a bib on during nap time.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will instruct Staff regarding this safety requirement.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2022

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

Comment

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

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

Comment

Please ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **Met**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection were observed on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) **Met**

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

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: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met
Date of Hire: 07/09/2020

Staff # 2 Met
Date of Hire: 08/22/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hire

Staff # 3 Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hire

Staff # 4 Met

Staff # 5 Met
Date of Hire: 01/21/2020

Staff # 6 Met
Date of Hire: 02/28/2020

Staff # 7 Met
Date of Hire: 09/03/2020

Staff # 8 Met
Date of Hire: 05/09/2022

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 09/08/2022

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

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 0

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Met

Comment

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

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training. The Consultant reminded the Director that Health and Safety was only counted once towards training.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/6/2022

Corrected on 9/13/2022

The correction was observed on this date. Proper ratios were observed and maintained.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/6/2022

Corrected on 9/13/2022

The correction was observed on this date. Children were observed to be properly supervised on this date.