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Cover Sheet

Date: 2/11/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 11:30 AM

CCLC-50960

Arthur M. Blank Early Learning Center at E.A. Ware

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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.
02/11/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/02/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/04/2021	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
Main	Room A (#1)	Infants	2	20	C	6	NC	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room B (#2)	One Year Olds	2	4	C	8	C	NA	NA	Centers, Floor Play
Main	Room C (#3)	Two Year Olds	2	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room D (#4)	Three Year Olds	2	10	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Centers
Main	Room E (#5)	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers, Circle Time
Main	Room F (#6)	PreK	2	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 95					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Amount of Equipment Available			
Total # Children this Date: 70			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 95			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Preschool Playground	95	C
Main	Toddler Playground	23	C

Comments

Monitoring Visit conducted on February 11, 2022

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/11/2022

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)

Zarinah Winston, Program Official

Date

Lajuana Williams, 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)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through a variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center was observed to be compliant with the licensed capacity .

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through there were no hazards observed accessible to children on this date

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

Met

Comment

Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the playground was observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through diapering was not directly observed, however compliant diapering areas were observed this date and the Director stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands and proper hand washing was observed.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through medicine was observed. Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete this date.

Safety

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through pleasant naptime environment was observed.

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 49**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Staff # 2 Met

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 09/27/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 4 Met

Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 08/29/2019	
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/04/2022	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/29/2022	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 08/29/2019	
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 08/25/2021	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 09/03/2019	
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 09/12/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 08/29/2019	
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20	Met
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 08/21/2017	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 08/29/2019	

Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 08/01/2006	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 09/12/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 25	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 08/29/2019	Met
Staff # 27	Met
Staff # 28	Met
Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 08/29/2019	Met
Staff # 30	Met
Staff # 31 Date of Hire: 04/11/2018	Met
Staff # 32 Date of Hire: 08/30/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 33	Met
Staff # 34 Date of Hire: 02/05/2018	Met
Staff # 35	Met
Staff # 36 Date of Hire: 08/29/2019	Met
Staff # 37 Date of Hire: 09/29/2019	Met
Staff # 38 Date of Hire: 09/06/2018	Met
Staff # 39	Met
Staff # 40	Met

Date of Hire: 04/12/2022

Staff # 41 Met

Staff # 42 Met

Staff # 43 Met

Date of Hire: 05/16/2022

Staff # 44 Met

Staff # 45 Met

Staff # 46 Met

Date of Hire: 07/10/2019

Staff # 47 Met

Staff # 48 Met

Date of Hire: 05/23/2022

Staff # 49 Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 12

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center was observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through adequate supervision was observed on this date.