

South Carolina Department of Social Services  
Office of Child Care Licensing  
**INSPECTION VISIT FORM FOR LICENSED CENTERS**

Facility Name: Smart Start Academy  
Permit #: 24862

Date of Inspection: 11/7/2023 Time of Inspection: 10:30 am  
Type of Inspection:  Annual  Complaint  Follow Up (original inspection date \_\_\_\_\_)  
Reason for Follow up:  clear up pending deficiency  Self-Report

Address: 10115 Farrow Road, BLYTHEWOOD, SC 29016  
Telephone #: 803-638-4860  
Hours of Operation: 630am- 6:00pm  
Any changes in contact info (Phone/Email/Fax)?  Yes  No  
Overnight Care?  Yes  No

Center Director/Designee: Anita Pedersen  
Change in Ownership or Director?  Yes  No If yes, Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Maximum number of children: 124 Building 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Building 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Building 3: \_\_\_\_\_  CDEP  
Maximum number of infants: 27  24 months  30 months  I-4 facility  
Infants are in designated rooms?  Yes  No  N/A  
Items posted in public view:  License  Menu  Ratio Chart (All classrooms) Does facility transport children?  Yes  No  N/A

MANAGEMENT, ADMINISTRATION & STAFFING 114-503				SUPERVISION 114-504			
	C	N	N/A		C	N	N/A
Staff files are in compliance H(1-7)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adequate supervision throughout facility A(1-2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Training hours up-to-date K(5)(b-c)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Facility following tracking of children procedures A(3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
At least 1 person with CPR & 1st Aid on the premises K(5)(h)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ratios adequate in all classrooms and on playground B, C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HEALTH, SANITATION & SAFETY 114-505							
	C	N	N/A		C	N	N/A
Children's faces/hands are clean B(1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proper diaper changing practices were observed F(1-16)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medicine and harmful items labeled and stored properly D(2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proper handwashing practices were observed G(4)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
First Aid kit in facility and in vehicle if transport E(1), I(1)(g)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No smoking/consumption of alcoholic beverage A(3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PHYSICAL SITE 114-507							
BUILDING	C	N	N/A	PLAYGROUND	C	N	N/A
Ventilation and lighting & sufficient A(2)(a-d), (4)(a-c)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Playground equip. safe & firmly anchored B(7)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No strangulation/choking/suffocation hazards A(5)(g)(i-iii)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adequate cushioning material; at least 6ft fall zone B(9)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ceiling, floors, windows, doors free from hazards A(5)(d)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fencing/safety barriers 4ft. in height, in good repair B(4)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Building(s) temp between 68-80°F A(7) If no, close in 4 hrs.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outdoor space free from hazards and litter B(2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility free from pest problems (Insects, rodents) A(8)(b-c)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	RESTING			
Garbage kept properly in plastic lined receptacles A(8) (d-i)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Play Pens observed C(4)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electrical outlets are securely covered A(11)(c)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cribs meet federal standards (reviewed certificate) D(1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sink area has running water A(12)(d)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cots, mats, cribs labeled or charted for each child D(2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soap and disposable towels available at sink A(12)(i)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PROGRAM 114-506			
Furniture, toys & equipment are clean and in good repair C(1)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Written, planned, daily program of activities that is developmentally & age appropriate observed A(1-3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Furniture, toys & equipment meets the CPSC standards C(2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive, non-abusive discipline practice B(1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Healthy pets/animals (Vaccination record up-to-date) E(4)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
MEAL REQUIREMENTS 114-508							
	C	N	N/A		C	N	N/A
Meals & snacks in compliance with USDA A(1)(b)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Round, firm foods are not offered to children under 4 yrs.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clean, wholesome, unspoiled, properly labeled food A(4)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Old, unless properly cut to prevent choking risk A(3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Food preparers have proper hair restraints B(5)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Food stored & handled properly D(1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Refrigerators have thermometers, temp under 45°F D(2-3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	All cleaning & poisonous items stored away from food D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
INFANT CARE 114-509				TRANSPORTATION 114-505 I			
	C	N	N/A		C	N	N/A
Infants are placed on their back to sleep A(5)(a)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vehicle has proper safety restraints & in good repair I(1)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No bottles propped or given in cribs or on mats A(3)(c)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Checklist for loading/unloading children reviewed (2)(d)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Food for toddlers cut in pieces ½ inch or less A(3)(k)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Driver's (valid) driver's license reviewed (1)(f)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Food for infants cut in pieces ¼ inch or less A(3)(j)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Crock pots, bottle warmers, are inaccessible to children, No microwaving of beverages observed A(3)(d)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>C-Compliant with Regulation N-Noncompliant with Regulation</b>			
Cups and bottles labeled with child's name & used only by that child A(3)(a)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No violations noted at the time of visit <input type="checkbox"/>			

Signature of Director/Operator/Designee: Anita Pedersen Date: 11/7/2023  Refused to sign  
Signature of Child Care Licensing Specialist: [Signature] Date: 11/7/2023

**Division of Early Care and Education**

**Deficiency Correction**

**NAME OF PROVIDER/OPERATOR** Smart Start Academy

**PERMIT #** 24862

Deficiency Cited	Corrective Action Needed	Expected Date of Correction
Dirty toys observed on the playground.	Outdoor space free from hazards.	12/07/2023
Several floor and napping mats were observed to be torn.	Equipment will need to be in good repair.	12/07/2023
Refrigerator in the Infant room is missing a thermometer.	All refrigerators shall have a thermometer placed inside of them.	12/07/2023

**Providers/Operators are required by regulations and statutes to be in compliance at all time.**

**Licensing Specialist** *Jamela LHM* **Date** 11/7/2023