



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/19/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 12:30 PM

CCLC-32171

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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.
07/19/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/09/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/20/2017	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	A-1st Left	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B-2nd Left	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	9	C	21	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	C-3rd Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	13	C	33	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	D-1st Right	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	18	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Lunch
Main	E-2nd Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	F-3rd Right		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	G-Back Room	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	5	C	22	C	NA	NA	Lunch

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 141 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 53 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 141 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Left Playground	76	C
Main	Right Playground	23	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit and follow-up to the previous visit on January 9, 2018.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/19/2018

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).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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@decals.ga.gov.

- 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://decals.ga.gov/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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decals.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decals.ga.gov

Angela Nelson, Program Official

Date

Twylah Tyner, 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 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.

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

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 of consultant that adult scissors and insect repellent were located on a shelf that was accessible to children in the C - 3rd Left classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will provide additional training for staff regarding the safe storage of hazards. The Center will consider terminating the use of adult scissors in the center.

Correction Deadline: 7/19/2018

Recited on 7/19/2018

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

Correction Deadline: 1/19/2018

Corrected on 7/19/2018

Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. There was adequate resilient material located in the fall zones of the slides, swings and climbing equipment.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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

Correction Deadline: 1/9/2018

Corrected on 7/19/2018

Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. Staff stated proper infants safe sleep procedures and infants were observed to be placed on their backs in a crib with nothing attached to the child or the crib.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met

Comment

Director provided four file(s) for employees hired since last visit. Criminal records checks for all staff 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**

Discussed combining children of mixed ages.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.