



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/29/2019 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:15 AM **Departure:** 1:15 PM

CCLC-28418

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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. 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.
07/29/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/20/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/31/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	

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-1L	Infants	3	9	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play
Main	B-2L	Infants and One Year Olds	2	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C-3L	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D-4L		0	0	C	19	C	27	C	
Main	E-4R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	19	C	27	C	Circle Time
Main	F-3R	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	19	C	27	C	Centers
Main	G-2R		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	H-1R	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	I - Front	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	15	C	26	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 168					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 192					
Total # Children this Date: 86 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 168					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 192					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A-infant	32	C
Main	PG B-school age	85	C
Main	PG C-all ages	42	C
Main	PG D-preschool	89	C
Main	PG E-toddler	32	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a monitoring visit and to follow up on previous citations.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/29/2019

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

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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

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

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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.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(2) - Consultant discussed with provider to monitor and repair the side rail of the diaper station in classroom 3L has a rough edge.

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2019

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 that on the following hazards were accessible to children on this date classroom Main 1 had adult scissors and thumb tacks in the green drawer and classroom 4R had thumb tacks, white out and a phone cord in an orange drawer.

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: 7/29/2019

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - Consultant discussed with provider to monitor and repair the water spot on the ceiling. Director stated that this repair is in progress.

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2019

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

Correction Deadline: 6/20/2019

Corrected on 7/29/2019

.26(9) - The above citation has been corrected and it was observed that the playground was free of any hazards or trash.

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2019

Corrected on 7/29/2019

.36(3)(a-b) - The above citation was corrected and the director provided evidence of training.

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records**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.

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2019

Corrected on 7/29/2019

.31(1)(b)2. - Correction of the previous citation Director provided evidence of credentials on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.