



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/7/2019 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 1:15 PM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

CCLC-15165

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
03/07/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/13/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing
02/02/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing

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.

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-First Left Infant	Infants	2	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B-Second Left Toddlers	One Year Olds	2	7	C	8	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-Left Back 2 yrs.	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	9	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D-Right Back 2-3 yrs.		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	E-3rd Right-3-4 yrs.	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	F-2nd Right-Older 4	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	15	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G-Right Front-Pre-K	PreK	2	20	C	22	C	31	C	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 91						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 100				
Total # Children this Date: 66			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 91			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 100				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infants to 2 yrs.	18	C
Main	Preschool-School Age	103	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a monitoring visit.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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/RulesAndRegulations.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

Shayne Kerfoot, Program Official

Date

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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-.03 Activities **Met**

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2018

Corrected on 3/7/2019

.03(2) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

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-.06 Bathrooms **Met**

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2018

Corrected on 3/7/2019

.06(7) - Center will continue to work on clearing brown substance.

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(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the toilet in the left back classroom has water surrounding the base of the toilet, indicating that there may be a leak. Per director there may be an issue with the toilet seal. Additionally peeling paint was observed in the first left classroom and in both bathrooms of classrooms F and G.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 3/7/2019

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Correction Deadline: 9/23/2018****Corrected on 3/7/2019****.26(6) - Citation observed corrected on this date.****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the playground's resilient surface measured 3 inches or less near the large climbing structure as well as near the swings on the large playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 3/17/2019**Correction Deadline: 9/13/2018****Corrected on 3/7/2019****.26(9) - Citation observed corrected. Center will continue to monitor.**

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Correction Deadline: 9/13/2018****Corrected on 3/7/2019****.15(1) - Citation observed corrected.****Correction Deadline: 9/13/2018****Corrected on 3/7/2019****.15(2) - Citation observed corrected on this date.**

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**

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.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 13**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/09/2018	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/17/2017	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/30/2018	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 02/10/2015	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 06/01/1998	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 05/25/2018	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 02/12/2019	

Records Reviewed: 13

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Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/11/2009	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 08/26/1995	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 11/12/2002	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 03/31/2017	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 10/15/2004	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 01/13/2017	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 13

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.