



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/9/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 1:05 PM **Departure:** 2:05 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
09/09/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/01/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
07/27/2020	Licensing Study	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	1L	Three Year Olds	1	5	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	1R	PreK	2	16	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2L	Two Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2R	PreK	2	19	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3L		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Middle Back	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	12	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Nap

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 106

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 51

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 106

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- Middle PG	35	C
Main	B- Left PG	12	C
Main	C-Right PG	90	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on September 8, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 8, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Phyllis Scott, Program Official

Date

Rachael Brown, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 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.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be well organized. Ensure a complete address is obtained for persons authorized to pick up children.

Facility**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms****Met****Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Licensed capacity observed to be met by center.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through food storage was observed. Food was observed to be stored on shelving, separately from cleaning products. Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Proper diapering procedures observed and discussed.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were observed on this date. Liquid soap and paper towels were observed accessible in the restroom area.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures **Met**

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices **Met**

Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting **Met**

Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **N/A**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date. Redirection and positive reinforcement were stated to be used throughout the center.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) **N/A**

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date. Interior of vehicle observed to be in good repair.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

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. Pleasant naptime environment observed. Infant safe sleep practices observed. Cribs and cots observed to be in good repair and sheets/blankets stated to be laundered appropriately.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 12

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 06/22/2015

Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 07/28/2014	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 10/11/2016	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 09/04/2015	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 12/30/2020	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 08/07/2020	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 06/10/2019	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 04/20/2017	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 07/20/2015	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 09/01/2011	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 06/29/2017	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 06/21/2019	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 15**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Met****Comment**

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles.

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training. Ensure all training certificates are Department approved and contain a Bright from the Start code.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 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. Center 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. Adequate supervision observed on this date.