



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/4/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:40 AM **Departure:** 12:40 PM

CCLC-32809

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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.
12/04/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/29/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/05/2016	Monitoring Visit	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	Room 1 Left	Infants	2	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play
Main	Room 1 Right	PreK	2	22	C	18	NC	25	C	Outside
Main	Room 2 Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	15	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room 2 Right	PreK	3	20	C	26	C	37	C	Outside
Main	Room 3 Left	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	11	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room 4 Left	PreK	2	18	C	19	C	NA	NA	Centers

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 108

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 126

Total # Children this Date: 93

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 126

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	1 Left	15	C
Main	1 Right	30	C
Main	2 Left	25	C
Main	2 Right	45	C
Main	3 Left	25	C
Main	4 Left	35	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/04/2017

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

Ramona Stewart, 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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Not Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

Finding

591-1-1-.12(1) requires each Employee and child in attendance to use all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use. All equipment and furniture shall be used only by the age-appropriate group of children. It was determined based on observation that there were five straps missing in the bucket seats in the table 2nd left classroom.. The staff was observed to place a child in a bucketseat without safety straps.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure Staff are trained in and children are taught the proper use of all furniture, materials and equipment; will implement a plan for this information to be reviewed with both groups on an ongoing basis; and for monitoring proper and age-appropriate usage. The center ordered new straps during the visit. The straps are scheduled to arrive by December 8, 2017.

Correction Deadline: 12/8/2017

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017

Corrected on 12/4/2017

.19(1) - The previous citation has been corrected.

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

Comment

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017

Corrected on 12/4/2017

.25(13) - The previous citation has been corrected.

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

Comment

Observation-Clean/Good Repair

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Comment

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

Comment

Observed-Complete Documentation

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.21(1)(p) Discussed the new emergency preparedness plans with the staff. The consultant explained where to find resources on the Bright from the Start website.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2017

Safety

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

Comment

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

Comment

The vehicle was not on the premises. Transportation logs for the previous week were complete.

Correction Deadline: 3/30/2017

Corrected on 12/4/2017

.36(7)(d)1. - The previous citation has been corrected.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017

Corrected on 12/4/2017

.36(7)(d)2. - The previous citation has been corrected.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Cribs and cots were observed to be in good condition.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 21

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/20/2012	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 03/10/2017	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 06/22/2015	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 11/01/2017	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/02/2015	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 02/03/2016	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 03/14/2017	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 09/06/2017	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 08/11/2011	

Records Reviewed: 21

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 03/10/2017	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 08/01/2008	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 10/09/2012	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 12/20/2016	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 07/24/2017	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 09/20/2017	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 03/16/2017	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 21

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

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

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

Comment

Lead staff education requirements discussed

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision