



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 6/30/2021    **VisitType:** POI Follow Up    **Arrival:** 3:20 PM    **Departure:** 4:00 PM

**CCLC-35616**

**Childcare Network #232**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
06/30/2021	POI Follow Up	Good Standing
06/08/2021	Complaint Closure	Deficient
06/07/2021	Complaint Closure	Support

**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-1L	Infants	2	7	C	16	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B-2L	One Year Olds	1	6	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	C-3L	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	30	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	D-2R	Four Year Olds	1	11	C	30	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	E-1R	Two Year Olds	3	17	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 118			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Second Level	F-Pre-K A	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	7	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Second Level	H-Pre-K B		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Second Level	I-Afterschool	Six Year Olds and Over	1	8	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Second Level	J-Middle Right		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Second Level	K-Pre-K C		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 101			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 69			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 219			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back Playground	98	C
Main	Left Playground	28	C

**Comments**

A virtual inspection was conducted on June 30, 2021 with the Regional Director and acting Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 28, 2021, was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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/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](mailto: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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov)

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

### Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/13/2021

Corrected on 6/30/2021

.15(9) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation and staff statement, in that all allergy lists in each classroom and the kitchen have been updated. Staff have been retrained on checking and ensuring children will modified diets were not served incorrect foods.

### Safety

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/8/2021

Corrected on 6/30/2021

.11(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation and staff statement, in that staff were observed providing redirection on this date. Staff have been retrained on appropriate discipline and have reviewed and signed the center's discipline policy.

### Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 08/21/2018

Staff # 2 Met

Staff # 3 Met

**Records Reviewed: 25****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 05/03/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 06/21/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 10/17/2016

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 02/04/2019

Staff # 7

Met

Date of Hire: 12/23/2020

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 10/16/2017

Staff # 9

Met

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 11

Met

Date of Hire: 12/09/2019

Staff # 12

Met

Date of Hire: 03/11/2021

Staff # 13

Met

Date of Hire: 02/24/2021

Staff # 14

Met

Date of Hire: 01/24/2019

Staff # 15

Met

Date of Hire: 08/19/2020

Staff # 16

Met

Date of Hire: 08/11/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 17

Met

Date of Hire: 01/13/2021

Staff # 18

Met

**Records Reviewed: 25**

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

Date of Hire: 08/03/2020

Staff # 19

Met

Date of Hire: 06/02/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 20

Met

Date of Hire: 04/15/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 21

Met

Date of Hire: 10/30/2000

Staff # 22

Met

Date of Hire: 06/11/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 23

Met

Date of Hire: 04/13/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 24

Met

Date of Hire: 09/08/2020

Staff # 25

Met

Date of Hire: 05/29/2018

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 23**

**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

**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**

**Correction Deadline: 6/8/2021**

**Corrected on 6/30/2021**

**.32(7) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation and staff statement, in that adequate supervision was observed during the virtual walk through on this date. Staff stated that extra staff have been placed to ensure proper and direct supervision of all children.**