



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/28/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:15 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
03/28/2018	Monitoring Visit	Deficient
10/02/2017	POI Follow Up	Good Standing
09/06/2017	POI Follow Up	Deficient

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 (School-Age)		0	0	C	5	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	B (2-3 yrs.)	Infants and Two Year Olds	1	3	C	4	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	C (3-4 yrs.)	Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	3	C	4	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 13						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 6			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 13			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	17	C

Comments

This was the seventh visit of the fiscal year. The provider does not provide transportation. The owner stated that as of this date that no new hires have been hired since the last visit. A plan of improvement was left on this date.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 04/13/2018

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

Doris Brown, Program Official _____ Date

Brandon Cason, Consultant _____ Date

Kimberly Stoy, Consultant _____ 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) **Met**

Comment

Discussed rotating toys to support the procedures of daily disinfecting.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR) **N/A**

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on consultant's observation that six children were housed in Room B with a capacity of four children.

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Correction Deadline: 3/28/2018

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

Technical Assistance

The consultants and owner discussed that this rule requires that floor coverings be tight and smooth in Room A.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2018

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

Not Met

Comment

The owner stated that the children do not use the back playground. The back playground is normally roped off so that no one can access the playground.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on consultants observation that the fence on the front playground was unattached from the post in the back left corner and had an entrapment hazard on the top of the fence measuring 48 inches high and 12 inches wide. It was further determined that a potential entrapment hazard on the fencing on the left side of the playground measured 5 inches high and 24 inches wide.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2018

Correction Deadline: 12/29/2016

Corrected on 3/28/2018

This citation observed to be corrected as of this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on consultant's observation that there were two active ant beds on the front play area.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2018

Recited on 3/28/2018

Health and Hygiene

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The consultants and owner discussed that this rule requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. The owner removed a diaper changing pad on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2018

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

N/A

Comment

The owner stated that as of this date that no medication was being dispensed.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time, however, the consultants and the owner discussed that the children can not play at the park across the street as a field trip.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a) requires a crib that is safety approved in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards be provided for each infant. It was determined based on consultant's observation that a crib with a manufacture date of 2005 did not meet the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards. The provider did not have a certificate of compliance to indicate that the crib was in compliance.

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Correction Deadline: 4/7/2018

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)2 requires that a crib mattress is firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least 2 inches thick and covered with a waterproof, washable material. Before a change of occupant, each mattress shall be cleaned with a disinfectant. It was determined based on consultants observation that a crib mattress in room B was not firm and it was not 2 inches as required.

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Correction Deadline: 3/28/2018

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(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.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.31(1)(c) requires that a copy and/or written verification of the credential or degree awarded to the Director by the technical college, university, school or Department-approved trainer listed in 591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2. (i) through (xiii) be maintained by the Center in the Director's file and such documentation shall be available for inspection by Department staff upon request. It was determined based on a review of records, that the director did not have a credential to meet this rule.

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Correction Deadline: 4/30/2018

Recited on 3/28/2018

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times and that the persons supervising in the child care area be alert, able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the chaperones and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. It was determined based on consultant's observation, upon arrival to the center, that one staff member was outside the building while one staff person was inside supervising two classrooms. It was further determined that a staff member frequently left Room B and the staff member in Room C was responsible for supervising the children in rooms B and C.

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Correction Deadline: 3/28/2018