



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/15/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:00 AM **Departure:** 11:40 AM

CCLC-4026

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
05/15/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing
11/15/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
04/14/2017	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	A Left Front-Right Hallway	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	B Left Back-Right Hallway	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	23	C	31	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C Mid Back-Right Hallway	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	20	C	26	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D Right Back-Left Hallway		0	0	C	27	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Front Left-Left Hallway	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	10	C	19	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			126			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 66			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a licensing study and follow-up to the previous visit on November 15, 2017.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/15/2018

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@dec.al.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://dec.al.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.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov

Melanie Montanaro, Program Official

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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 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-.19 License Capacity(CR) **Met**

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Not Met**

Technical Assistance

Ensure no hazards on playground.

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 observation of consultant that inadequate resilient surface material was located in the fall zones of playground equipment. The fall zone for the monkey bars, swings and slides was observed to be one inch to three inches deep on the 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: 5/29/2018

Recited on 5/15/2018

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Program does not serve children in cribs.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 16

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 08/19/2016

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 08/15/2014

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2012

Staff # 4 Met

Records Reviewed: 16**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 06/03/2002

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 08/17/2017

Staff # 6 Met

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/2004

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 08/11/2011

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 01/18/2018

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 08/27/1998

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2014

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 08/17/2016

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 10/20/2003

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 01/05/2015

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2016

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 05/30/2017

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 16**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Comment**

Director provided one file for employee hired since last visit. All staff have satisfactory fingerprint determination letter on file.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.