



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/8/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 1:00 PM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

CCLC-72

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Quality Rated: No

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.
06/08/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/16/2020	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
11/16/2020	Incident Investigation Closure	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
Bldg 1	1 RT	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	26	C	NA	NA	Centers
Bldg 1	1L	Infants	2	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Free Play
Bldg 1	2 LF	Infants	2	2	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Bldg 1	2 RT	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	7	C	19	C	NA	NA	Story
Bldg 1	BK End	One Year Olds	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Bldg 1	FAR BK RT		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 110						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Bldg 2	1LF	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	36	C	NA	NA	Centers
Bldg 2	LB	PreK	2	20	C	30	C	NA	NA	Outside
Bldg 2	RB		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Bldg 2	RF	Six Year Olds and Over	1	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 108						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 83			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 218			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				


Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on June 8, 2021. Staff files, children’s files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on June 15, 2021 with the 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. The new infant feeding plan was shared with the provider on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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.al.ga.gov/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.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).

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

Joann Kohn, Program Official

Date

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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

Discussed rotating toys to support the procedures of daily disinfecting.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The physical plant appeared to be clean and in good repair upon virtual walk through.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Playground appeared to be clean and in good repair upon virtual walk through.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.15 - The consultant discussed with the provider the new rules and regulations for food safety and nutrition per the guidelines that went into effect on October 1, 2020.

Health and Hygiene

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

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director/Provider on this date.

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

Hand washing requirements were discussed with the Director/Provider on this date.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting**Met****Correction Deadline: 11/16/2020****Corrected on 6/8/2021**

.29(3) - The previous citation was corrected on this date as the provider stated knowledge of required reporting requirements.

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)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) requires any Center that provides any type of transportation to obtain two (2) hours of state-approved or state-accepted transportation training, biannually, for the Director and for each person responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children. The training shall include, but is not limited to, a review of the transportation rules, a review of approved transportation forms and procedures, and instruction on the usage and completion of the forms and procedures. This training may be counted as part of the annual training requirements for Staff. It was determined based on a review of records that the program's director had not obtained the required transportation training as the current training was observed to be expired.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director, Center Staff, and any person responsible for the transportation of children has completed the required transportation training.

Correction Deadline: 6/18/2021

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Sleeping and Resting was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper sleeping and resting were discussed with the Provider on this date.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 43****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 05/11/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 04/14/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 06/01/2018	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 06/01/2018	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 02/11/2019	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/06/2020	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 04/27/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 05/25/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 10/11/1993	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 01/29/2018	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 10/15/2010	

Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 08/03/2016	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/24/2016	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 01/10/2006	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 03/09/1994	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 06/18/2020	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 12/02/2020	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 02/19/2018	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 10/06/1993	Met
Staff # 20	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 05/19/2021	Met
	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 08/21/2002	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 05/14/2020	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 01/02/2020	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 02/02/1998	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 09/02/1997	Met
Staff # 27	Met

Date of Hire: 04/07/2010

Staff # 28 Met

Date of Hire: 08/25/2014

Staff # 29 Met

Date of Hire: 12/03/2020

Staff # 30 Met

Date of Hire: 08/12/2020

Staff # 31 Met

Date of Hire: 01/18/1994

Staff # 32 Met

Date of Hire: 03/27/2019

Staff # 33 Met

Date of Hire: 05/14/2019

Staff # 34 Met

Date of Hire: 05/14/2019

Staff # 35 Met

Date of Hire: 02/13/2019

Staff # 36 Met

Date of Hire: 06/06/1999

Staff # 37 Met

Date of Hire: 08/16/2000

Staff # 38 Met

Date of Hire: 08/30/2016

Staff # 39 Met

Date of Hire: 08/16/2000

Staff # 40 Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/09/2002

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

Staff # 41 Met

Date of Hire: 07/08/2019

Records Reviewed: 43

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 42 Met
Date of Hire: 08/21/2019

Staff # 43 Met
Date of Hire: 07/13/2016

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided seven file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.