



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 5/18/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:35 AM

Departure: 11:35 AM

CCLC-32407

The Goddard School

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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.
05/18/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/22/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/19/2019	Licensing Study	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	A- First Right	Infants	1	4	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B 2nd Right	One Year Olds	2	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C 3rd Right	One Year Olds	1	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D 4th Right	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E - 5th Right	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	F- Right hall 1st Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	22	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	G- Right Hall 2nd Left	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	H - 1st Left	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	13	C	22	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	I - 2nd Left	Five Year Olds	1	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	J- Gym		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	K- Afterschool		0	0	C	31	C	NA	NA	Not In Use

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 206

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 97

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 206

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0


Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A Right Side	39	C
Main	Playground B Back	67	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on May 18, 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 1, 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

Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
 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.state.ga.us

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.

- 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 1/2 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)

Ava Stuck, Program Official

Date

Rachael Brown, Consultant

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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

Correction Deadline: 12/19/2019

Corrected on 5/18/2021

.12(2) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The blue couch was observed to be removed and replaced.

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)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Licensed capacity observed to be 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. During the virtual walk through no hazards observed to be accessible to the children this date.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the playground area was observed and appeared to be in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date. During the virtual walk through the diapering area was observed and the provider displayed proper knowledge of the rules and regulations.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date. Liquid soap and paper towels were observed accessible in the restroom area.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Safety

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date. Redirection and discussion stated to be used throughout the center.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Per the provider, center does not provide routine transportation.

Correction Deadline: 12/19/2019

Corrected on 5/18/2021

.36(7)(d)2. - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The center was stated to not be providing transportation at this time. Center staff will review transportation rules and regulations and ensure all rules are followed should school transportation resume.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through SIDS and infant sleeping position was discussed. Infants stated to be placed to sleep on their back with no items in/on the crib. Cribs and cots observed to be in good repair and sheets/blankets stated to be laundered appropriately.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 23**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 04/20/2015

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 07/31/2015

Staff # 3

Met

Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 09/16/2020	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 07/01/2020	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 07/16/2020	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 09/04/2020	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 12/16/2019	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 08/31/2020	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 09/08/2020	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 07/30/2020	Met
Staff # 21	Met
Staff # 22	Met
Staff # 23	Met

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.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Met**

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2020

Corrected on 5/18/2021

.33(5) - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Citation observed to be corrected on this date. Annual training for 2020 was observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 1, 2021.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through appropriate ratio was observed.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through adequate supervision was observed.