



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

Date: 12/3/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:00 AM

Departure: 11:00 AM

CCLC-31581

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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.
12/03/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/04/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
05/04/2021	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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
2	A	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	4	47	C	51	C	72	C	Art, Circle Time, Transitioning, Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 51			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 117							
Main	Room A-1st Lt	One Year Olds	3	12	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room B	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room C	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	23	C	Outside
Main	Room D Back Rt	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	23	C	Outside, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 66			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 117							
Total # Children this Date: 91			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 117			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 117				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playgrd - Right	27	C
Main	Playgrd-Left	26	C

Comments

A Virtual Monitoring Visit was conducted on December 3, 2021 with the Director. All staff criminal records checks were reviewed on this date. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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.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



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.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

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)

Melinda Simmons, Program Official

Date

Jerica Davis, 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**

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and 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. Diapering was not directly observed during the Virtual Visit. Procedures and sanitation regarding proper diapering were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing was not directly observed during the Virtual Visit. Hand washing supplies were observed, and hand washing practices were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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 Visit. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director 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**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 20****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 01/26/2015

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 07/19/2021

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 08/12/2013

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2018

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 10/25/2021

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

Staff # 6 Met

Records Reviewed: 20

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 09/14/2020

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 03/15/2021

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 05/18/2020

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 08/22/2016

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 04/11/2016

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 07/26/2016

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 10/13/2021 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/2008

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 05/10/2021

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 10/08/2021 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 11/18/2019

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2020

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/2008

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 12/19/2014

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 07/06/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Comment

Director provided nine files for employees hired since the 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

Discussed new revision to the supervision rule which states: Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger.

Comment

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