



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/13/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 12:30 PM

CCLC-35767

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
04/13/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/20/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
04/28/2022	Monitoring Visit	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 (Ones & Twos)	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	4	18	C	24	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	B (Twos & Threes)	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	12	C	24	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C (Fours & Fives)	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	14	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D (Threes & Fours)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E (Young Twos)	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	F (Threes & Fours)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	C	19	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 127						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 81			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 127			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-LARGE	53	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a Monitoring Visit. The center does not provide routine transportation, field trips, or medications.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/13/2023

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.decgal.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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the user id for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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 Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decgal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Swimming activities provided off site.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2022

Corrected on 4/13/2023

.19(1) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The Licensed Capacity was met in each classroom.

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

Not Met

Technical Assistance

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children. Please ensure items such as plungers and brooms are stored inaccessible to children.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the wall behind the toilet in classrooms C and D had peeling and bubbling paint that was in need of repair. Additionally, in classroom D near the exit door to the playground, a piece of rubber baseboard was missing on the left side that left damaged sheetrock exposed that was in need of repair.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2023

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that protective caps are kept on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. Additionally, please ensure to keep all electrical cords secured and inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2023

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

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Please ensure Center Staff do not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2023

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

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure Center Staff keep any items which might harm a child out of a child's reach. Please ensure all diaper creams are stored inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2023

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

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)4 requires that a light cover be available for each child's use on a cot or mat and shall be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If marked for individual use, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed. It was determined based on observation that the nap rolls in classroom F were stored with the fabric touching and are laundered weekly and were not stored separately as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that a light cover is available for each child and will meet the requirements for laundering.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2023

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2023

Staff Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2022

Corrected on 4/13/2023

.09(1)(j) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All staff had a Comprehensive Criminal Background Check record on file as required.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

Correction Deadline: 10/20/2022

Corrected on 4/13/2023

.33(3) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All staff who required Health and Safety training completed it as required.

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)- This citation will be evaluated at the next Licensing Study.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022

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.