



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/12/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-27866

Special Investigations Unit Sr. Specialist

Ivy League Academy

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Quality Rated: No

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
04/12/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
12/01/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/03/2022	Monitoring Visit	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	1L	Infants	1	4	C	17	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap
Main	1R	GA PreK	2	21	C	24	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Transitioning
Main	2L	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	17	C	NA	NA	Feeding
Main	2R	GA PreK	2	19	C	36	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	3L	Three Year Olds	2	11	C	24	C	NA	NA	Feeding
Main	3R	GA PreK	2	19	C	26	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	4L	Four Year Olds	2	20	C	40	C	NA	NA	Feeding
Main	4R	GA PreK	2	20	C	26	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 210					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 124					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PGR- A left side	30	C
Main	PGR B- Large Rear Area	95	C
Main	PGR C Right Side	38	C

Comments

The investigation remains open on this date, pending additional information. Upon completion the finding will be reviewed with the provider and a final copy of the report will be sent.

04-12-2023: The purpose of the visit was to conduct an incident investigation and to follow up on the previous visit.

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

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 userid 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@dec.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Venkatraman Subbarao, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Facility

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 4/12/2023

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observe all hazardous items kept in a locked area inaccessible to children on this date.

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 the following items were not clean or in good repair:

- Classroom 3L - The light and vent combo was not covered in the second-right restroom.
- Classroom 4L - The ceiling tile was not secured to the restroom and the light and vent combo was observed to be covered and drooping from the ceiling in the first-left restroom. The ceiling tiles were observed to be stained and the light and vent combo was observed to be covered in dust in the second-left restroom.
- Classroom 3R - The light and vent combo tile was drooping and stained in the first-right restroom.
- Classroom 2R - The vent and light combo tile was drooping in the first-left restroom. The vent and light combo tile was observed to be drooping in the second-left restroom.
- Classroom 1R - The ceiling tie was observed to be drooping in the first-left restroom and the light and vent combo ceiling tile contained a crack in the second-left restroom.

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: 4/26/2023

Recited on 4/12/2023

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 4/12/2023

.26(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the center to be free of hazardous on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/11/2022

Corrected on 4/12/2023

.26(7) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the center to be free of hazardous on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 4/12/2023

.26(9) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the center to be free of hazardous on this date.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 4/12/2023

.15(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the center to have all safety straps for the red feeding chairs on this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/2/2022

Corrected on 4/12/2023

.36(4)(f)1. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the center to use proper child passenger restraints systems and seat safety belt on this date.