



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Cover Sheet

Date: 5/18/2022 **VisitType:** LS POI Follow Up

Arrival: 9:50 AM

Departure: 12:15 PM

CCLC-72

Little Acres Child Care

2770 Spot Rd. Cumming, GA 30040 Forsyth County
 (770) 781-8788 Littleacresc1@aol.com

Regional Consultant

Mandi Sloan

Phone: (770) 357-5097

Fax: (770) 357-5098

mandi.sloan@dec.al.gov

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 1018
 Cumming, GA 30028

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.
05/06/2022	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
04/08/2022	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
11/04/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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
Bldg 1	1 RT	Two Year Olds	2	16	C	26	C	NA	NA	Outside
Bldg 1	1L	Infants	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Bldg 1	2 LF	Infants	2	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play
Bldg 1	2 RT	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	10	C	19	C	NA	NA	Art
Bldg 1	BK End	One Year Olds	2	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Music
Bldg 1	FAR BK RT	Four Year Olds	1	11	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 110					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Bldg 2	1LF	Three Year Olds	3	18	C	36	C	NA	NA	Centers
Bldg 2	LB	GA PreK	2	19	C	30	C	NA	NA	Centers
Bldg 2	RB	GA PreK	2	22	C	19	NC	NA	NA	Outside, Transitioning
Bldg 2	RF	GA PreK	2	18	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 108					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 133			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 218			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
----------	------------	----------------------	-----------------------

Comments

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 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 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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)

Joann Kohn, Program Official

Date

Mandi Sloan, Consultant

Date



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334**

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Findings Report

Date: 5/18/2022 **VisitType:** LS POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:50 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

CCLC-72

Little Acres Child Care

2770 Spot Rd. Cumming, GA 30040 Forsyth County
(770) 781-8788 Littleacresc1@aol.com

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 1018
Cumming, GA 30028

Regional Consultant

Mandi Sloan

Phone: (770) 357-5097

Fax: (770) 357-5098

mandi.sloan@decal.ga.gov

The following information is associated with a LS POI Follow Up:

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that the fence gate on the preschool playground (playground 4) was not latched or locked in a way that could prevent children from leaving the playground area.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2022

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

Corrected on 5/18/2022

.26(8) - The previous citation was corrected on this date as resilient surface was observed to be sufficient and adequately maintained.

Health and Hygiene

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10(4) - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that the pads on the diaper changing tables are monitored to ensure they are smooth, nonporous and do not contain tears or rips.

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2022

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(2)(b) - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that the doctor's note on file for the use of an infant sleeping wedge contains an updated time frame for using the device.

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2022

Staff Records

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 05/11/2021	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 06/01/2018	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 06/01/2018	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 01/20/2022	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 04/27/2021	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 03/28/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 10/11/1993	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 01/29/2018	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 10/15/2010	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 08/03/2016	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 09/02/2021	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/24/2016	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 03/09/1994	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 06/18/2020	Met
Staff # 16	Met

Date of Hire: 12/02/2020

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 01/10/2006

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 09/16/2021

Staff # 19 Met

Staff # 20 Met

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 08/21/2002

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 07/30/2021

Staff # 23 Met

Date of Hire: 11/10/2021

Staff # 24 Met

Date of Hire: 05/14/2020

Staff # 25 Met

Date of Hire: 01/02/2020

Staff # 26 Met

Date of Hire: 02/02/1998

Staff # 27 Met

Date of Hire: 07/26/2021

Staff # 28 Met

Date of Hire: 09/02/1997

Staff # 29 Met

Date of Hire: 04/07/2010

Staff # 30 Met

Date of Hire: 08/25/2014

Staff # 31 Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2021

Staff # 32 Met

Records Reviewed: 43

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 01/18/1994

Staff # 33 Met

Date of Hire: 03/27/2019

Staff # 34 Met

Date of Hire: 05/14/2019

Staff # 35 Met

Date of Hire: 05/14/2019

Staff # 36 Met

Date of Hire: 02/13/2019

Staff # 37 Met

Date of Hire: 06/06/1999

Staff # 38 Met

Date of Hire: 08/16/2000

Staff # 39 Met

Date of Hire: 08/30/2016

Staff # 40 Met

Date of Hire: 07/08/2019

Staff # 41 Met

Date of Hire: 05/13/2022

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

Staff # 42 Met

Date of Hire: 07/23/2021

Staff # 43 Met

Date of Hire: 08/30/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided one file for employees hired since the last visit conducted on April 8, 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**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.