



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

**Date:** 10/20/2022 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-56431**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
10/20/2022	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing
07/20/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
02/09/2022	Initial Licensing Study	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- Preschool	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B-Toddler	One Year Olds	1	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Diapering
Main	C-Infant	Infants	1	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks				
Total # Children this Date: 19			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	All Ages-Only PG	40	C

**Comments**

The purpose of the visit is to conduct a Complaint Investigation. The investigation was not completed on this date. The Director will be notified of the outcome once the Investigation is complete.  
 The Complaint Investigation was closed on November 15, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed 01/01/0001

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/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 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](mailto: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](http://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)

Whitney Sparrow, Program Official

Date

Neli Todorova, Consultant

Date

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**Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

**Children's Records**

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022

Corrected on 10/20/2022

.08(1) - Previous citation was corrected as consultant observed complete records.

**Facility**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022

Corrected on 10/20/2022

.25(13) - Previous citation was corrected on this date as no hazards were observed to be accessible and staff stated proper knowledge.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022

Corrected on 10/20/2022

.26(4) - Previous citation was corrected on this date as the provider replaced the wooden plank and there was no gap observed.

**Food Service**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022

Corrected on 10/20/2022

.15(5) - Previous citation was corrected on this date as the menu was reflecting the actual food items served to the children.

**Staff Records**

**Records Reviewed: 7**

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

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/22/2022	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 06/14/2022	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 06/15/2022	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 09/14/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 02/09/2022	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/16/2022	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 09/14/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1**

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

**Correction Deadline: 7/20/2022**

Corrected on 10/20/2022

.09(1)(c) - Previous citation was corrected as all staff had a a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file.