

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

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Cover Sheet

Departure: 10:30 AM Date: 7/13/2021 Arrival: 9:00 AM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

CCLC-1457 Regional Consultant

Childcare Network #12

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Quality Rated:

07/13/2021

04/16/2021

04/15/2021



Complaint

Investigation Follow

liance Zone Designation				
Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
Complaint Closure	Good Standing			

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

> Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Ratios/License Capacity

Up

Compliance

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	Main:Pre-K (room A)	PreK	1	11	С	22	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Pre-K (room B)	PreK	1	10	С	25	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Rm A-L ft	Infants	1	5	С	15	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Rm B-L middle	Three Year Olds	1	8	С	16	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rm C-L back	Two Year Olds	2	7	С	15	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rm D-Center Bk	One Year Olds	2	5	С	12	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 105		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.						

Total # Children this Date: 46 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 105 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Deficient

Playground Playground Building **Playground** Occupancy Compliance Main Playground A 102 С Main Playground B 15 C Main Playground C 24 С

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on July 13, 2021 with the Provider. 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.decal.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.decal.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@decal.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@decal.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://decal.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)

Rebecca Dudley, Program Official	Date	Kelly Wilson, Consultant	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

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) Technical Assistance - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards: - Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys. Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area. Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.). Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area. Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather.

Regulations regarding the associated rules with fencing, playground equipment, resilient surfacing and keeping playground area free of hazards were discussed with the Director on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/13/2021

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Handwashing was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. 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.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2021

Corrected on 7/13/2021

Required Reporting - Corrected on 7/13/2021 .29(3) – This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The director stated that procedures had been put in place to ensure required reports are made within the required time frame. It was discussed with director that required reports are mandatory for all incidents that require professional medical attention.

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 walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

Met

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30 - The consultant discussed with the director that the cots in classrooms B, C, D and Pre-K rooms A and B must be completely covered while being stored and stacked in the classroom.

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2021

Corrected on 7/13/2021

Sleeping and Resting - Corrected on 7/13/2021 .30(1)(a)3 – This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. It was observed that each crib had an individual, tight-fitting sheet.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 19	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 03/10/2021	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 08/07/2017	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 06/29/2020	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 02/19/2021	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 08/10/2020	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 03/04/2020	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 01/01/2012	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 01/26/2021	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 02/20/2021	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 02/27/2021	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 02/10/2020	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 11/01/2020	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 11/18/2020	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 02/13/2021	Met
Staff # 16	Met

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Records Reviewed: 19 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 17 Met

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 02/03/2021

Staff # 19 Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

Met

Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since 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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

Comment

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