



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 5/22/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

**CCLC-3222**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
05/22/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/27/2023	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
04/27/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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	A-Right Hallway-1R-Left/Right Side 3's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	20	C	25	C	NA	NA	Outside,Nap,Lunch,Transitioning
Main	B- Right Hallway-2R-Left/Right Classrooms- 4-5's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	30	C	42	C	Outside
Main	C-Mid-Center A/S	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	9	C	19	C	27	C	Free Play
Main	D- 1st Left Hallway-1 & 2 R Classroom (1-2's)	One Year Olds	2	14	C	39	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E -1st Left Hallway-1L Classroom (Infants)	Infants	2	7	C	23	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 136			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 136							
Total # Children this Date: 59			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 136							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	2's	26	C
Main	3's-School Age	78	C
Main	Infants	29	C

### Comments

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a monitoring visit and to follow-up to previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/22/2023

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.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](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)



#### **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](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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Rachal Penland, Program Official

Date

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Princess Walton, Consultant

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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

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that classroom A had hand sanitizer, board eraser and staff purse on lower shelf that was accessible to the children. Classroom B was observed to have shaving cream on a lower shelf that was accessible to children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 5/26/2023

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Consultant discuss with the director to ensure that tree branches are remove off the playground.

## Health and Hygiene

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

Not Met

#### Finding

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that in classroom A staff did not cleaned the changing table after changing a child's diaper.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2023

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

Technical Assistance

#### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.17(7) - Handwashing discussed with the director and staff.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2023

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2023

Corrected on 5/22/2023

.20(3) - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant discussed the medication documentation with the director.

## Safety

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/28/2023

Corrected on 5/22/2023

.11(1) - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed appropriate discipline on the day of visit.

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

Not Met

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center. It was determined based on consultant review of transportation log that the week of May 22,2023 did not have unload marks .

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 5/23/2023

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 5/22/2023

.36(7)(d)2. - Previous citation was corrected.

## Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

### Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

## Staff Records

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

Met

### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/4/2023

Corrected on 5/22/2023

.33(3) - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant reviewed Health safety training.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2023

Corrected on 5/22/2023

.31(1)(b)2. - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed director to have 40 hours of director training.

## Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 5/22/2023

.32(1) - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant discuss ratio with the director.

### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(2) - Mixing of the three's with two's was discussed with the director.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2023

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

Met

### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.