



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 11/20/2019 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:05 AM

Departure: 1:00 PM

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Quality Rated: No

| 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. |
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| 11/20/2019 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 02/21/2019 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 10/02/2018 | 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 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| Main | A (far back right) | Infants and One Year Olds | 2 | 10 | C | 12 | C | NA | NA | Floor Play |
| Main | B1 | Two Year Olds | 1 | 9 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | B2 | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 1 | 9 | C | 20 | C | 28 | C | Lunch,Art |
| Main | C (middle) | | 0 | 0 | C | 5 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | D Back Left | | 0 | 0 | C | 32 | C | 45 | C | |
| Main | E (behind kitchen on right) | | 0 | 0 | C | 7 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | middle (by office) | | 0 | 0 | C | 9 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 105 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 126 | | | | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 28 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 126 | | | | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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| Main | PG 1 | 44 | C |
| Main | PG 2 | 23 | C |

Comments

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

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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

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

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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

Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Not Evaluated

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 the following hazards were accessible to children in Classroom B1 on this date: hand sanitizer, an adult's handbag, and Vaseline was found inside a child's backpack.

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. The director and staff will work to develop a plan for checking student's bags upon arrival.

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2019

Corrected on 11/20/2019

.25(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed repairing one place in the fence that has become bent and gone under the required four feet.

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(7) requires that climbing and swinging equipment be anchored. It was determined based on observation that the blue stand alone slide on playground one was not stable. The screws at the top of the slide were loose and the bottom could be easily picked up.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove or repair equipment that is not anchored and will regularly inspect the equipment to ensure it remains anchored.

Correction Deadline: 11/30/2019

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)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined based on observation that staff in Classroom B1 and classroom B2 were observed to wash children's noses and return to normal duties without washing their hands.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

The Provider stated that the center currently does not dispense or administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

The vehicle was checked for compliance. The consultant discussed ensuring that restraints are easily accessible.

Correction Deadline: 2/26/2019

Corrected on 11/20/2019

.36(4)(a) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(c) requires that each vehicle be equipped with a fire extinguisher maintained in working order and kept inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the fire extinguisher on the vehicle with tag number QAP 1390 was empty.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each vehicle has a working fire extinguisher and that the fire extinguisher is kept out of reach of children.

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019

Correction Deadline: 2/22/2019

Corrected on 11/20/2019

.36(4)(e) -The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/22/2019

Corrected on 11/20/2019

.36(7)(a) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based on observation that there was no second check completed on Vehicle BC26373 on the Eighth Street route for the a.m. route on November 5-8, 2019, or the p.m. route on November 6, 2019 or November 9, 2019.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)2 requires that a crib mattress is firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least 2 inches thick and covered with a waterproof, washable material. Before a change of occupant, each mattress shall be cleaned with a disinfectant. It was determined based on observation that the crib mattresses in Classroom A were not tight-fitting and caused gaps in nine of nine of the cribs. The consultant measured a two and a half inch gap between the mattress and the side of the crib when one of the mattresses was pulled against one side of the crib.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that a crib mattress is firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019

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| Staff Records |
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591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 2/21/2019****Corrected on 11/20/2019****.09(1)(c) - The previous citation is observed to be corrected on this date.****Correction Deadline: 2/21/2019****Corrected on 11/20/2019****.09(1)(d) - The previous citation is observed to be corrected on this date.**

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed the requirements for personnel records.

Correction Deadline: 11/25/2019

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2 requires the Director to possess at least one of the sets of minimum academic requirements and qualifying child care experience listed in Rule 591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2.(i-xiii). It was determined based on observation that the director's CDA expired and the academic requirements were no longer met.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director meets the minimum education and work requirements and secure the necessary documentation.

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019**Finding**

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2. requires teachers and lead caregivers to meet minimum academic requirements and qualifying experience at the time of employment. It was determined based on observation that there was no lead teacher in Classroom A.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

A teacher/lead caregiver will be hired that meets the minimum academic requirements and qualifying work experience.

Correction Deadline: 11/20/2019

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| Staffing and Supervision |
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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.