



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/21/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 8:50 AM **Departure:** 10:00 AM

CCLC-10792

Bright Horizons Little One Center

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
01/21/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
08/11/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/12/2020	Monitoring Visit	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-Tybee	Infants	2	7	C	8	C	NA	NA	Outside, Feeding, Nap
Main	B-Dutch	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C-Skidaway	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	14	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D-Talahi	One Year Olds	2	10	C	10	C	NA	NA	Story, Transitioning
Main	E-Oatland	PreK	2	12	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Story
Main	F-Whitemarsh	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	C	22	C	NA	NA	Outside, Story
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 84						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 54			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 84			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	B-Toddler pgd	36	C
Main	C-Preschool pgd	39	C
Main	Infant Pgd	8	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on January 21, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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

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@dec.state.ga.us.

- 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://dec.state.ga.us/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.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

Charmel Williams, Program Official

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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12 - Discussed with the Director about ensuring the small fish tank in the Whitemarsh classroom is secured and poses no tipping hazards. Please ensure the shelves under the tank are pushed together and stable.

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional cleaning and sanitizing of toys and equipment due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through, the Licensed capacity was observed to be met by center.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. No hazards were observed accessible to the children during the virtual walkthrough on this date. The center will be mindful to keep items that may pose a hazard inaccessible to the children.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Food Service

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15(2) - Please ensure the new updated infant feeding form is used. Discussed revision to the written feeding plans for children under the age of 1 years old. Age-appropriate solid foods (including cereal) shall not be given to infants or children less than one (1) year of age until recommended as developmentally appropriate by the child's primary care physician and indicated in writing by the Parent(s). As soon as the feeding plan indicates that a child is ready for solid foods, the child shall be fed from individual spoons and individual containers or dishes. A child shall not be fed directly from the original baby food container if the contents are to be fed to the child at more than one (1) meal or to more than one (1) child.

Correction Deadline: 1/21/2021

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15(7) - Discussed new revision to restricted food rule which states: Foods that are associated with young children's choking incidents, such as, but not limited to, peanuts, hot dogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, cheese cubes, grapes and any other food that is of similar shape and size of the trachea/windpipe shall not be served to the children less than four (4) years of age. Children older than four (4) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking.

Correction Deadline: 1/21/2021

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through on this date, the diapering areas were observed to be in good condition. Discussed diapering procedures with the staff.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through, handwashing supplies were observed at all sinks. Discussed hand washing requirements with the director and staff.

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

The Director stated no medication has been dispensed since the last visit on August 11, 2020.

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. The center's discipline policy and practices were discussed with the director.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through visit, the children cots and bedding were stored as required. The cribs were observed to be in good condition and appropriate safe sleep producers were observed.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 22****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 11/14/2019	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 11/17/2020	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/24/2019	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 12/07/2020	
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/17/2018	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 10/26/2020	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 05/14/2018	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/08/2010	
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 09/23/2015	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 11/02/2020	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 08/13/2014	
Staff # 14	Met

Date of Hire: 10/02/2019

Staff # 15 Met

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 07/13/2020

Staff # 17 Met

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 04/08/2019

Staff # 19 Met

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 03/20/2019

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 10/03/2016

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 12/14/2020

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. The center has hired five employees since the last visit.

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

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 2020.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through, the Center was observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32 - Discussed new revision to the supervision rule which states: Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger.

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Adequate supervision was observed during the virtual walk through on this date.