



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/29/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 2:00 PM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

CCLC-1099

Goshen's Daycare & Learning Center

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
07/29/2020	Monitoring Visit	Support
01/09/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing
07/30/2019	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	Back Left	Three Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	22	C	Snack	
Main	Back Right	Six Year Olds and Over	2	6	C	18	C	25	C	Snack	
Main	First Left		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA		
Main	First Right	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap,Free Play	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 56						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 70					
Total # Children this Date: 19		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 56			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 70						

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on 7/29/2020 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 12, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 08/12/2020

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

Shannon Tharpe, 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)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2020

Corrected on 7/29/2020

.06(5) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant did observe separation between toilets for privacy during a virtual walk through on this date .

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on consultant's observation of photographs provided by the Director during a virtual inspection that the yellow merry go round bikes located on the right side of the playground had one bike that was missing one pedal on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 8/13/2020

Recited on 7/29/2020

Finding

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on consultant's observation, of photographs provided by the Director during a virtual walk through, that there was no measurable resilient surfacing in the fall zone of the slide, on the large play structure. Three inches of resilient surfacing was required.

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Correction Deadline: 8/13/2020

Recited on 7/29/2020

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

N/A

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 9

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/21/2015	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 01/13/2016	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 11/05/2018	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 12/30/2019	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 03/16/2016	
Staff # 6	Not Met
Date of Hire: 07/24/2020	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/04/2014	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 04/08/2013	

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 06/27/1994

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires that a Center ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on a review of records during a virtual inspection that Staff #6, hired on July 24, 2020, did not submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. The staff member was working in the Back Right Classroom during the time of the virtual inspection.

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Correction Deadline: 7/29/2020

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on a review of records during a virtual inspection that Staff #6, hired on July 24, 2020, did not have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter on file on this date. The staff member was present and working in the Back Right Classroom during the virtual inspection.

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Correction Deadline: 7/29/2020

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)-A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit when the rule correction can be observed in person.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2020

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 May 12, 2020.

Staffing and Supervision

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.