



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/28/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 8:30 AM **Departure:** 11:45 AM

CCLC-1204

Home '2' Childcare and Development Center

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| Compliance Zone Designation | | |
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| 09/28/2017 | Licensing Study | Good Standing |
| 04/12/2017 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing |
| 12/19/2016 | Licensing Study | 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 |
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| Bld one | Bld 1-1st L (PreK) | PreK | 2 | 19 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Bld one | Bld 1-1st R | | 0 | 0 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | |
| Bld one | Bld 1-2nd R | Infants and One Year Olds | 1 | 5 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Floor Play |
| Bld one | Bld one-2nd L | Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds | 1 | 7 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Circle Time |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 80 | | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | Building @35 capacity limited by Centers Request | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 31 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 80 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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| Bld one | Playground 1 | 51 | C |
| Bld one | Playground 3-toddler | 20 | C |

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a licensure study. This is the first visit of the fiscal year. The center provides transportation.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/28/2017

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).



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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@decga.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://decga.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)

Beverly Vickers, Program Official

Date

Beth Houtz, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The center will repair or replace the adult sized arm chair and ottoman in the after school room. The right hand side arm rest is worn and starting to show the chair frame and the seams of the ottoman are coming apart.

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2017

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Evening Care

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

Met

Comment

No evening care hours

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/12/2017

Corrected on 9/28/2017

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. all cleaning equipment was inaccessible to children in care.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

The Director stated that the toddler playground is not in use by the center at this time. The Director is making repairs to the toddler playground before opening it back up.

Technical Assistance

The center will ensure that all gates are fully closed. The consultant observed a wooden gate to be closed but leaning opening at the top and a chain link gate on the toddler playground facing Gordon St. to be only partially closed. The gate latch was not latched on the pole but on the chain link fence.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2017**Technical Assistance**

The center is still cleaning up and repairing the playground from Hurricane Irma. The center will ensure all debris is removed from the play area and the playground is checked for any hazards, such as exposed weed block paper, before allowing children to play on playground.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2017

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| Health and Hygiene |
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591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper Diapering

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Director stated that no medications are currently dispensed.

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| Policies and Procedures |
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591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met****Correction Deadline: 4/26/2017****Corrected on 9/28/2017**

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The center has conducted monthly drills as required.

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| Safety |
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591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

No Animals Kept

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

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

No Field Trips at This Time

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

Vehicle had fire extinguisher and first aid kit; please update ice packs

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

The center will ensure that cot/mat coverings cover all cots and mats during storage.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2017

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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| Staff # 1 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 09/14/2015 | |
| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/01/1997 | |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 10/22/2016 | |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/12/2017 | |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 09/09/2014 | |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/01/2008 | |
| Staff # 7 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 06/17/2009 | |

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Met****Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

Comment

One Hired since last visit

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

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

Met

Comment

Lead staff education requirements

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios