



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/11/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 12:10 PM **Departure:** 2:20 PM

CCLC-13730

Northwest Youth Power Early Learning Center Site #3
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Quality Rated: ★

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. 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.
09/11/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/15/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/15/2017	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	1st left	Three Year Olds	1	13	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	1st right	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2nd right	PreK	2	19	C	31	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	3rd-right	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	4 right room-1 y/o	One Year Olds	1	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Back Middle		0	0	C	16	C	22	C	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 113

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 119

Total # Children this Date: 56

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	54	C

Comments

This was the first visit of the fiscal year. The Coordinator observed one newly hired staff members file.

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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

Annie Jones, Program Official

Date

Brandon Cason, 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) **N/A**

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Correction Deadline: 3/15/2018

Corrected on 9/11/2018

This citation observed to be corrected on this date. The licensed capacity was met on this date in the 4 right room.

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

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Technical Assistance

The Coordinator observed six of 26 bolts to protrude more than two threads. The Coordinator and director discussed cutting the bolts to two threads and capping the bolts as well if they leave sharp or jagged edges.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2018

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2018

Corrected on 9/11/2018

This citation observed to be corrected on this date. Adequate resilient surfacing was observed throughout the playground on this date.

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)

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper hand washing procedures.

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

Met

Comment

The director stated that as of this date that no medication was being dispensed.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2018

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Technical Assistance

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The consultant observed an isolated instance of a minor tear in the seat on the vehicle used for transportation. The director informed the Coordinator that she would cover the tear.

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2018

Technical Assistance

The consultant observed an isolated instance of a child not being documented as being checked on and off the vehicle on September 6, 2018, on the PM route from Discovery Elementary School to the facility. The consultant and director discussed ensuring that all children are accounted for with a check mark or other symbol.

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2018

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 08/16/2004	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 08/08/2015	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 12/05/2016	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 01/07/2008	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 03/12/2015	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 05/31/2016	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 05/11/2011	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/08/2015	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 08/11/2004	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 01/08/2008	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 08/27/2011	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 08/08/2015	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 06/21/2018	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 01/06/2014	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 08/27/2011	Met

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)

Met

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/14/2018

Corrected on 9/11/2018

This citation observed to be corrected on this date. The Coordinator observed the employees to have completed their Health and Safety orientation.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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.