



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/21/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 1:00 PM

Departure: 2:05 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. |
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| 10/21/2020 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 03/09/2020 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 08/28/2019 | Monitoring Visit | 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 | 9 | C | 19 | C | NA | NA | Nap |
| Main | 1st right | | 0 | 0 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | 2nd right | PreK | 2 | 11 | C | 31 | C | NA | NA | Homework |
| Main | 3rd-right | | 0 | 0 | C | 16 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | 4 right room-1 y/o | One Year Olds | 2 | 2 | C | 13 | C | NA | NA | Nap,Snack |
| 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: 22

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| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | Playground | 54 | C |

Comments

Background checks were all reviewed on October 21, 2020. A virtual inspection was conducted on October 21, 2020 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.

The infant feeding plan was discussed with the Director during the virtual visits, for rule changes effective October 01, 2020.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/21/2020

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.dec.al.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@dec.al.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://dec.al.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.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov

Annie Jones, Program Official

Date

Verlyn Gant, Consultant

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. 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-.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

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by Center. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 2020.

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

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2020

Corrected on 10/21/2020

.26(4) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that the back left, back right and right side of the fence have been repaired or replaced and the bars on the top of the fence on the back left, back right and right side of the fence were lodged in the cap and were not hanging and causing the fence to buckle at the top. It was further observed that the main entrance to the playground has been repaired or replaced and no longer posed an entrapment hazard. The fence entry on right side of the fence has also been repaired or replaced.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that there was exposed rocks and rubble located on the playground causing a potential hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove hazards.

Correction Deadline: 10/23/2020

Recited on 10/21/2020

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

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements were discussed with the Director 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) Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) - 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.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director, Center Staff, and any person responsible for the transportation of children has completed the required transportation training.

Correction Deadline: 3/19/2020

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(a) - 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.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Center's information and the children's information is included on each vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2020

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(b) - 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.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain a complete emergency medical information record for each child that is transported and maintain a copy on the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2020

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2.- 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.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2020

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Pleasant nap time environment observed. SIDS and the infant sleeping position was also discussed with the Director.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 11

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Staff # 1 | Met |
| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Staff # 7 | Met |
| Staff # 8 | Met |
| Staff # 9 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 10/06/2020 | |
| Staff # 10 | Met |

Staff # 11

Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/8/2020

Corrected on 10/21/2020

.33(3) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on the review of staff files, eleven of eleven staff members had evidence that the Health and Safety Orientation had been completed.

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.