



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/16/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:50 AM **Departure:** 10:45 AM

CCLC-157

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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.
07/16/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/27/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/18/2019	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 Right Rear	Infants	1	6	C	7	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap,Floor Play
Main	1st Left Rear	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	14	C	32	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	2nd Left Rear	One Year Olds	1	7	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	2nd Right Rear	Infants and One Year Olds	1	7	C	19	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Free Play
Main	3rd Left Rear	Three Year Olds	2	24	C	34	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Front Left	Two Year Olds	2	15	C	30	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Front Right	Six Year Olds and Over	2	24	C	31	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 174			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 97			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 174							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- Back Right Playground	126	C
Main	PG- Front Playground	105	C
Main	PG- Infant Playground	10	C
Main	PG- Left Playground	84	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on July 16, 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: 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/RuleAndRegulations.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

Yvette Dennis, 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. 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)**Met****Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1.06 Bathrooms**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1.06 - The consultant discussed with the director to ensure the bolts at the bottom of the toilets, especially in the 1st Left Rear Classroom, were covered.

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**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

Correction Deadline: 1/27/2020

Corrected on 7/16/2020

.25(13) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, that no potential hazards were observed during the virtual walk through on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Met****Comment**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. The director stated during the virtual walk through that the resilient surface would be redistributed and more ordered, if needed.

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

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10(4) - The consultant discussed with the director during the virtual walk through to ensure that the diaper changing pad in the 2nd Left Rear classroom was replaced, as a small tear was observed to be forming on one side.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2020

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center during the virtual walk through. Hand washing requirements were discussed with the Director on this date.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****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-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. All field trips have been suspended due to the Executive Order issued on May 12, 2020. Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form, and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director on this date.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Routine transportation has been suspended due to due to the Executive Order issued on May 12, 2020. Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form, and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

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

Staff Records

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 11/15/2019	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 03/12/2008	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/26/2016	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 06/29/2020	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/20/2012	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/10/2018	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 03/01/2017	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/02/2010	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/11/2015	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 05/15/2020	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 03/01/2017	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 01/30/2018	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 07/31/2019	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 03/13/2012	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 01/28/2020	

Records Reviewed: 19**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 11/26/2018	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 08/12/2008	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 05/30/2017	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 04/25/2016	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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 during the virtual walk through.