



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/29/2019 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 12:40 PM

Departure: 2:50 PM

CCLC-23219

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
10/29/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
04/09/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
11/29/2018	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	A first on right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and PreK	2	20	C	26	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	B second room on right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	13	C	14	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch
Main	C third room on the right	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	C	6	C	NA	NA	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 46						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 36			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 46			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A	41	C
Main	PG B	265	C

Comments

Please be sure to review the rules and regulations for updates.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/29/2019

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

Barbara Muir, Program Official

Date

Dianne Clarke, 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)

Met

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.

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that there was a six and a half inch gap on the left side of the double gate leading to the parking lot.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 11/1/2019

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 observation that the mulch beneath the wooden stairs and the ramp was four and a half inches where six is needed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 11/8/2019

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 09/27/2003	

Staff # 2	Met
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Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 06/03/2019

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Staff # 5 Met

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 06/20/2011

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 08/15/2019

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 08/15/2019

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 06/03/2019

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 02/10/2016

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided six files for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(2) - Please ensure that all new staff has orientation forms completed.

Correction Deadline: 10/30/2019

Correction Deadline: 4/30/2019

Corrected on 10/29/2019

.33(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that all eligible staff has Health and Safety Orientation Training completed and past staff are no longer employed.

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2019

Corrected on 10/29/2019

.33(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that staff training was observed to be corrected.

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

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2019

Corrected on 10/29/2019

.31(2)(b)2. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that all lead teachers has the credential.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/9/2019

Corrected on 10/29/2019

.32(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the appropriate ratios was observed throughout.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.