



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/16/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:00 AM **Departure:** 12:30 PM

CCLC-2326

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
01/16/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/11/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
06/05/2019	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	Lt.Hall-1L	PreK	2	22	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Lt.Hall-1R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	17	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Centers
Main	Lt.Hall-2R		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Main	Middle	PreK	2	22	C	42	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rt Hall-2R	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Story,Circle Time
Main	Rt. Hall-1L	Infants	2	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play,Free Play
Main	Rt.Hall-1R	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Circle Time,Free Play
Main	Rt.Hall-3R	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Floor Play,Free Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 97

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

The purpose for this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit and to follow-up on the previous visit conducted on September 11, 2019.

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/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.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

Nikki Wright, 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.

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Met

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked. Swimming activities provided May -July.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute due to rain.

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

Animals maintained clean and appropriately caged.

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 30

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 09/29/2017

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 07/15/2019

Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/07/2019	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 08/26/2019	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 08/07/2019	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/07/2019	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/19/2019	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 08/06/2018	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 04/06/2019	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 07/26/2018	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 11/15/2019	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 08/07/2019	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 08/07/2019	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 05/22/2017	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 09/30/2019	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 09/08/2017	Met

Records Reviewed: 30

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 01/15/2020	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 08/07/2019	Met
Staff # 21	Met
Staff # 22	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 01/14/2019	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 05/29/2019	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 08/01/2019	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 03/25/2019	Met
Staff # 27	Met
Staff # 28 Date of Hire: 08/12/2019	Met
Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 05/20/2019	Met
Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 05/11/1998	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2019

Corrected on 1/16/2020

.09(1)(c) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The consultant observed by a review of records that all staff had evidence of a complete and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Met**

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

Correction Deadline: 10/11/2019

Corrected on 1/16/2020

.33(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed that all staff had evidence of the completed health and safety orientation training on file within the first 90 days of hire.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2019

Corrected on 1/16/2020

.31(1)(c) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The consultant observed that all staff has verification of the credential or degree for a lead teacher or has an education plan on file.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.