



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Atlanta, GA 30334**

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Date: 7/24/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 4:05 PM **Departure:** 5:05 PM

CCLC-29790

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Quality Rated: No

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.
07/24/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/02/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/14/2019	Licensing Study	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	1L: B - Polar Bears	Infants	2	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Nap
Main	1R: C - Moose	One Year Olds	1	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	2L: A - Giraffes	Infants	1	4	C	8	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play
Main	2R: D - Sailfish		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	3R: E - Elephants	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	11	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	4R: F - Otters	One Year Olds	2	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	4th Floor - A/3L	Six Year Olds and Over	2	5	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	4th Floor/B -2L	Four Year Olds	2	9	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	4th Floor/C-1L		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	LR: I - Alligators	Three Year Olds	1	6	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	MR: H - Camels	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	RR: G - Rams		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 205

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 61

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building @25 capacity limited by Centers Request

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A: Hard Surface	3	C
Main	B: Infant Yard	110	C
Main	C: Preschool	20	C


Main	D: Trike Area	8	C
Main	Roof Top/ Front	3	C
Main	Roof Top/Back	18	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on July 17, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on August 11, 2020 with the Provider. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on July 15, 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.decal.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@decal.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://decal.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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov

Thonja Smith, Program Official

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through there was no pool observed on the property. Per the provider no swimming activities were provided.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center appeared to free of hazards this date. Storage of cleaning supplies and materials and supplies were discussed. Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the playground area was observed and appeared to be in good repair.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through food storage was observed. Food was observed to be stored on shelving, separately from cleaning products. Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

591-1-1-.10 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director and staff on this date. During the virtual walk through the diapering was observed and the provider displayed proper knowledge of the rules and regulations.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date. Liquid soap and paper towels were observed accessible in the restroom area.

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date. Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

.A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 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.

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through SIDS and infant sleeping position was discussed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 27**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/20/2019	
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 01/04/2010	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 02/12/2020	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 04/22/2013	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 03/04/2019	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 07/23/2010	

Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 01/07/2014	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 09/16/2019	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 04/11/2016	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 11/03/2019	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/08/2019	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 04/03/2017	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 03/01/2013	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 05/15/2020	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 02/13/2017	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 08/02/2018	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 09/05/2017	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 07/30/2019	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 07/06/2020	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 06/16/2014	Met

Records Reviewed: 27

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 25 Met

Staff # 26 Met

Date of Hire: 10/01/2009

Staff # 27 Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 2 files for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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 July 15, 2020.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through appropriate ratio was observed.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk direct supervision was observed. Staff observed to be attentive to children's needs.