



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/22/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:00 AM **Departure:** 11:30 AM

CCLC-29914

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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.
09/22/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/17/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/29/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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	Room A - Upstairs Left	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding
Main	Room B - Upstairs Right	Two Year Olds	1	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Art, Story
Main	Room C - downstairs Left	Three Year Olds	1	4	C	16	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	Room D - Downstairs Right		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room E - Building 2 Left	PreK	2	10	C	21	C	29	C	Centers
Main	Room F - Building 2 Right	PreK	1	13	C	21	C	29	C	Circle Time
Main	Room G - Building 2 Middle		0	0	C	3	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 97

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 97

Total # Children this Date: 39

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Large	122	C
Main	Toddler	11	C

Comments

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a monitoring visit.

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



Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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)

Angela Selmon, Program Official

Date

Evelyn McBurse, 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.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2022

Corrected on 9/22/2022

.12(4) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed computer monitors in Rooms E and F to be secured.

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2022

Corrected on 9/22/2022

.06(4) - Correction of the previous citation in that director stated the building was initially licensed as using the adjacent window as ventilation for the bathrooms in Classrooms C and D.

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

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2022

Corrected on 9/22/2022

.25(13) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed no teacher bag accessible to children in Classroom C and no sharpies and adult scissors to be accessible to children in Classrooms B, E, and F.

Correction Deadline: 10/22/2022

Corrected on 9/22/2022

.25(3) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed previous hazards to be corrected.

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

Met

Comment

Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards: - Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys. Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area. Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.). Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area. Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather. Fall zones and resilient surface.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2022

Corrected on 9/22/2022

.26(4) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed the fence of the large and toddler playground to be at least four feet high. Additionally, consultant observed no rust on the playground fence or gaps at the bottom of the fence by the shed and Pre-K building.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2022

Corrected on 9/22/2022

.26(6) - Correction of the previous citations that consultant observed the previous hazards to be repaired.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2022

Corrected on 9/22/2022

.26(9) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed no uncoiled water hose to be present in front of the Pre-K building, the grill to be removed from the left side of the large playground, and the bottom of the Pre-K building to be repaired.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2022

Corrected on 9/22/2022

.10(4) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed the diapering mat to be repaired in Classroom B.

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met****Correction Deadline: 2/22/2022****Corrected on 9/22/2022****.21(3) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed lock down drills to be completed in 2022.****Safety**

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

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

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

A current and completed inspection was observed for vehicle tag #RRY0981 and vehicle tag #APZ5624

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.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with staff on this date.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 12****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 02/07/2022

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 03/07/2022

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 08/11/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 08/07/2021

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 08/18/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Records Reviewed: 12

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 10/01/2010	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 10/01/2008	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 03/20/2017	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 07/17/2014	Met
Staff # 12	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

Comment

Director provided four files for employees hired since last visit on February 17, 2022.

Comment

Satisfactory comprehensive criminal record checks were observed to be complete for all staff on this date.

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

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)- Staff will have until December 31, 2022 to complete annual training for 2022. Staff training will be reviewed after this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Director had already registered all staff to enroll in training and will monitor that training is completed as required. The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022

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

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