



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/22/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 2:50 PM

CCLC-32922

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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.
03/22/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/21/2017	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
11/21/2017	Complaint Closure	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/Pre-K	PreK	2	21	C	19	NC	26	C	Lunch
Main	2L	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	17	C	18	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Story
Main	3L	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	16	C	17	C	24	C	Transitioning, Nap
Main	4L	Infants and One Year Olds	2	12	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding, Nap
Main	Middle	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	26	C	26	C	37	C	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 97						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 122				
Total # Children this Date: 92			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 97			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 122				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	0	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/22/2018

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).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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.al.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://dec.al.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). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov

Jessica Crawford, Program Official

Date

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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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12 - The consultant discussed the maintenance of the red vinyl sofa in classroom 1L.

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

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)

Not Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25 - The consultant discussed ensuring that all cabinet locks are in working order to ensure that all potentially hazardous items are stored inaccessible to children in care.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the exhaust fan in the bathroom in classroom 1L was not in working order.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will repair or replace the exhaust fan.

Correction Deadline: 4/5/2018

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26 - The consultant discussed the maintenance of the metal play equipment and the tree roots on the playground after inclement weather.

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 there was approximately one inch of resilient surface beneath the fall zone under the slide when six inches are required.

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: 4/1/2018

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

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**

The director stated that the center has not administered medications since the last visit.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(3) - The consultant discussed the emergency preparedness plan.

Correction Deadline: 3/27/2018**Comment**

The consultant observed the required emergency drills.

Correction Deadline: 3/27/2018

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **N/A**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) **N/A**

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) **N/A**

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Staff stated proper SIDS practices.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 16

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 11/20/2006	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 09/26/2016	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 01/02/2018	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 07/05/2016	
Staff # 5	Not Met
Date of Hire: 01/01/1994	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing	
Staff # 6	Not Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2017	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 10/20/1998	

Records Reviewed: 16**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4**

Staff # 8	Not Met
Date of Hire: 08/22/2017	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 10/02/2017	
Staff # 10	Not Met
Date of Hire: 08/31/2017	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 02/16/2016	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 08/25/2016	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 06/01/2012	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 11/19/1984	
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 09/14/2015	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 16

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met

Correction Deadline: 11/21/2017

Corrected on 3/22/2018

.09(1)(d) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant reviewed sixteen staff files. Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Not Met

Comment

Evidence observed of over 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

Finding

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of records that the center had four staff hired more than ninety days without documentation of current CPR and first aid certification.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 4/21/2018

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

Comment

The consultant observed documentation of the required health and safety training for all staff and annual training for 2017.

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

Comment

Staff met credential requirements.

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.