



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/31/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:05 AM **Departure:** 2:15 PM

CCLC-35528

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
01/31/2020	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
01/31/2020	Complaint Closure	Good Standing
08/20/2019	Licensing Study	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-infants-1 yr	Infants and One Year Olds	3	14	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play	
MAIN	B-1 & 2 yrs	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	14	C	16	C	NA	NA	Circle Time	
MAIN	C-3+ yrs	Three Year Olds	1	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers	
MAIN	D-PreK (4+)	PreK	3	13	C	29	C	NA	NA	Centers	
MAIN	E-3+	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			79			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations	
Total # Children this Date:			58			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:		79		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:	0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
MAIN	A-Left	41	C
MAIN	B-Back	73	C

Comments

All transportation documentation was review on this date.

All criminal record checks were observed complete. The director provided two files for employees hired since the last visit.

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

Cathy Green, 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.

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) **Met**

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2019

Corrected on 1/31/2020

.25(3) - This citation was corrected on this date. The door frames were observed repaired with no chipping paint. The bricks were observed replaced to close the gap in the brick siding. The screws at the bottom of the cubbies were observed replaced. The path to the bathroom used by the Pre-K class and three-year-old class was observed clear on this date. The two-year-old classroom was observed free of clutter on this date.

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

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures **Met**

Correction Deadline: 8/25/2019

Corrected on 1/31/2020

.21(3) - This citation was corrected in that the center completed all fire drills for the calendar year 2019. The center completed a tornado drill and a lockdown drill during the month of December 2019.

Safety

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2019

Corrected on 1/31/2020

.36(6) - This citation was corrected in that written Parental authorization for routine transportation was available for six of six children being transported.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2019

Corrected on 1/31/2020

.36(7)(b) - This citation was corrected in that the center had emergency medical information on file for six of six children being transported. The forms were maintained on the vehicle. All forms had the child's doctor's name and phone number.

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2019

Corrected on 1/31/2020

.36(7)(d)2. - This citation was corrected in that a second check signature verifying that a second check was completed was observed on all transportation checklists reviewed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2019

Corrected on 1/31/2020

.30(2) - This citation was corrected on this date. Infants observed in cribs did not have any blankets and were placed on their back.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 08/03/2017	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 08/30/2019	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 07/08/2013	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 09/18/2018	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 01/04/2018	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit.

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.