



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/12/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:35 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

CCLC-35601

Childcare Network #219

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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. |
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| 02/12/2020 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 08/06/2019 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 03/14/2019 | 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 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|------|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Building 2 | Left side | Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds | 2 | 6 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Outside |
| Building 2 | Right Side A | Infants and One Year Olds | 2 | 6 | C | 10 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning, Snack |
| Building 2 | Right Side B | One Year Olds and Two Year Olds | 2 | 8 | C | 10 | C | NA | NA | Art |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 40 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | | | |
| Main | 1st Left | One Year Olds | 1 | 4 | C | 11 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 1st Right A | | 0 | 0 | C | 8 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | 1st Right B | Infants | 2 | 6 | C | 9 | C | NA | NA | Nap, Floor Play |
| Main | 2nd Left | Two Year Olds | 1 | 8 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 2nd Right | Three Year Olds | 1 | 12 | C | 19 | C | NA | NA | Free Play, Transitioning |
| Main | Back | PreK | 4 | 27 | C | 74 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning, Centers |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 146 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 77 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 186 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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| Main | PG Infant | 22 | C |
| Main | PG School | 72 | C |
| Main | PG-Preschool | 65 | C |

Comments

The Consultant reviewed and discussed the Compliance and Determination Worksheet on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/12/2020

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

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)



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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

Correction Deadline: 8/6/2019

Corrected on 2/12/2020

The correction was observed on this date. All staff stated that toys were cleaned as required.

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

Met

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 on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on Consultant observation that there was a cabinet in the second classroom on the left that wasn't locked and there was Mop and Glo, Great Value Disinfectant spray, and Great Value Disinfectant wipes present and were accessible to children and a hazard was posed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items. A new safety latch was placed on the cabinet on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

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 these hazards were present:

Back Room:

Tiles throughout the rooms were cracked.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring. The floor will be evaluated by a plumber to rule out a leak and a plan will be made for the floor to be repaired or replaced.

Correction Deadline: 2/27/2020

Recited on 2/12/2020

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

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on Consultant observation that there was a five inch gap present on the right side of the double wrought iron gate on the toddler playground and an entrapment hazard was posed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

Correction Deadline: 8/13/2019

Corrected on 2/12/2020

The corrections were observed on this date.

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| Food Service |
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591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines. The Consultant observed Bar B Que chicken, brown rice, broccoli and cheese, pears and milk to be served on this date.

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| Health and Hygiene |
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591-1-1-.07 Children's Health**Met**

Correction Deadline: 8/6/2019

Corrected on 2/12/2020

The correction was observed on this date. There were no pacifier clips observed on this date.

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

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.17(7)(a) requires washcloth handwashing be used only for infants when the infant is too heavy to hold or cannot stand safely and for children with special needs; requires that an individual washcloth be used only once for each child before laundering. It was determined based on staff statements that staff were not washing infants hands after they were diapered.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on how to correctly use washcloth handwashing and will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020**Finding**

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined based on staff statements that staff were not washing their hands after the diaper changing surface was cleaned.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

The Provider currently stated that no medications have been administered since the last regulatory visit.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection were observed on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director to monitor buses to ensure cleanliness.

Correction Deadline: 2/13/2020**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 18**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 09/05/1990

Records Reviewed: 18

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

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| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/05/2019 | |
| Staff # 7 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/13/2019 | |
| Staff # 8 | Met |
| Staff # 9 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/05/2019 | |
| Staff # 10 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/01/2020 | |
| Staff # 11 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/05/2019 | |
| Staff # 12 | Met |
| Staff # 13 | Met |
| Staff # 14 | Met |
| Staff # 15 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 10/17/2019 | |
| Staff # 16 | Met |
| Staff # 17 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 10/21/2019 | |
| Staff # 18 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 10/03/2019 | |

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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| Staffing and Supervision |
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591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/6/2019

Corrected on 2/12/2020

The correction was observed on this date. All children were supervised.