



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/12/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:00 AM

Departure: 2:00 PM

CCLC-35644

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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.
12/12/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/21/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/28/2016	Monitoring Visit	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	1	Infants	2	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	10	PreK	3	16	C	21	C	NA	NA	Circle Time,Free Play
Main	11	Three Year Olds	2	15	NC	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Centers
Main	12	Three Year Olds	3	10	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers,Free Play
Main	13	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	16	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Centers
Main	3	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Centers
Main	4	Two Year Olds	2	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	5	Three Year Olds	2	3	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	6	Four Year Olds	2	17	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Transitioning,Centers
Main	7	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	8	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers,Free Play
Main	9	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Centers

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 204

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 133

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 204


Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

<u>Building</u>	<u>Playground</u>	<u>Playground Occupancy</u>	<u>Playground Compliance</u>
Main	Playground	69	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/12/2017

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

Alina Heberlig, 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

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Observation-Clean and Well Maintained

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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 observation that there was a pair of scissors and a stapler sitting on top of the cubbies in room nine.

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.

Correction Deadline: 12/12/2017

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

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that there was a 6 1/2" gap under the double gate on the preschool playground and there was a 4 3/4" gap under the single gate on the preschool playground and posed an entrapment hazard. Further there was a hole on the preschool playground located at the front left side that measured 12"x10".

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards. The gates on the playground will be adjusted so that an entrapment hazard is not present for the children.

Correction Deadline: 12/15/2017

Food Service

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

Review USDA guidelines as provided by the consultant on December 12, 2017.

Correction Deadline: 12/12/2017**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations****Met****Comment**

Kitchen Appears Clean/Well Organized

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Observed-Complete Documentation

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

No Animals Kept

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

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation

Comment

Observed-Complete Documentation

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Technical Assistance

Please monitor that cots remain completely covered when stored in the bathroom.

Correction Deadline: 12/12/2017

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 43

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/12/2004	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 02/15/2016	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 09/01/2015	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 09/02/2016	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/22/2016	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 10/17/2016	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 09/16/2003	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 02/01/2011	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 09/20/2012	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 03/08/2008	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 08/06/2015	

Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 07/24/2014	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 12/19/1992	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 10/08/1998	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 05/03/2017	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 08/02/2017	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 10/12/2010	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 09/30/2015	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 09/28/2016	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 09/12/2012	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 11/05/2013	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 09/05/2000	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 08/02/2016	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 06/29/2016	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 10/01/2009	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 08/01/2014	Met

Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 09/15/2016	Met
Staff # 28 Date of Hire: 07/06/2016	Met
Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 04/11/2017	Met
Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 10/11/1991	Met
Staff # 31 Date of Hire: 07/06/2017	Met
Staff # 32 Date of Hire: 10/04/2016	Met
Staff # 33	Met
Staff # 34 Date of Hire: 03/07/2011	Met
Staff # 35 Date of Hire: 03/09/2015	Met
Staff # 36 Date of Hire: 06/16/2016	Met
Staff # 37 Date of Hire: 03/16/2017	Met
Staff # 38 Date of Hire: 02/03/2016	Met
Staff # 39 Date of Hire: 01/08/2015	Met
Staff # 40 Date of Hire: 07/18/2014	Met
Staff # 41 Date of Hire: 01/21/2016	Met
Staff # 42	Met

Records Reviewed: 43

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 04/04/2017

Staff # 43

Met

Date of Hire: 04/19/2013

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 43

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

Met

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

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

Met

Comment

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

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

Met

Comment

Lead staff education requirements

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff