



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/6/2020 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation/Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:00 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-36133

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Quality Rated: No

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
02/06/2020	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
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08/23/2019	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
Main	Room A 1RT	Infants	1	4	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding
Main	Room B 2RT	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	19	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room C 3 Rt	One Year Olds	2	6	C	21	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	Room D Bk end RT	Two Year Olds	3	16	C	26	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Music
Main	Room E Bk RT Ga. Pre-k	PreK	2	20	C	27	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room F Back left	PreK	2	18	C	30	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Transitioning
Main	Room G 3L	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	7	C	30	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room H 2L	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	30	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room I 1LF	PreK	2	10	C	40	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 240					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 100			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 240			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	44	C

Main	Playground B	21	C
Main	Playground C	47	C
Main	Playground D	57	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit/ Incident Investigation and to follow up on citations from the visit conducted on August 13, 2020.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/06/2020

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)



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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov

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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)

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.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25 - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that items which may be hazardous are kept out of the reach of children.

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

Met

Comment

Playground not observed on this date due to inclement weather to include current tornado watch, severe thunderstorms and playground flooding.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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) **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) requires that the interior of a transportation vehicle be clean, in safe repair and free of hazardous items, objects and/or other non-essential items which could cause injury. It was determined based on observation that the interior of the the bus with tag number PB 7785 was not in safe repair as one bottom window on the left side of the bus was not fully enclosed, leaving a gap measuring one half to one centimeter wide between the window's glass and the window's metal frame. Further, the glass contained a hazardous sharp edge.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will maintain that all transportation vehicles are clean, in safe repair, and free from hazards.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2020

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30 - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that children are not permitted to fall asleep while their heads are covered with a blanket and that staff are able to see children at all times.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30 - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that wedges and infant positioning devices (where a physician's written statement has been obtained) are not used past the recommended time frame.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 18

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met
Date of Hire: 08/16/2018

Staff # 2 Met
Date of Hire: 12/20/2010

Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 07/23/2013	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 07/30/2012	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 07/26/2019	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 09/10/2019	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 07/30/2017	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 09/12/2017	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 01/20/2020	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 08/11/2011	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 12/09/2019	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 07/09/2018	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 02/18/2019	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 12/27/2016	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 02/06/2020	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 seven file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2019

Corrected on 2/6/2020

.14(1) - The previous citation was corrected on this date as valid evidence of CPR and First Aid training was completed as required by the department.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.