



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/13/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 2:00 PM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

CCLC-36308

Childcare Network #235

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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.
04/13/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
11/13/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/18/2020	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	Rm. Preschool 3A-4th Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	19	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	A 1st L-Crawlers	Infants	1	1	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C 3rd L	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	H - 1st R		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rm. AfterSchool-Back Middle		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rm. Preschool 4B-PreK	PreK	2	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Rm. Toddler A-3rd Right		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rm. Preschool 3B-5th Right		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rm. Preschool 4A-Prek	PreK	2	14	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Rm. Preschool 4C-PreK	PreK	2	16	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Rm. Wee Toddler A-2nd Right		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Wee Toddler B-2nd left	One Year Olds	1	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 235

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 81

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 235

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- Infants/Toddlers	31	C
Main	Playground B-3yrs	34	C
Main	Playground C-PreK-School Age	93	C
Main	Playground D-2's	71	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on April 13, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on April 16, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on March 31, 2021 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/13/2021

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/ChildCare/ProgramsAndServices/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/ChildCare/ProgramsAndServices/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

Stephanie Ellis, Program Official

Date

April Brown, Consultant

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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. Additional cleaning and sanitizing recommendations due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities at this time. Pool not in use at this time, gates were locked. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by the center on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children as required. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Comment

Consultant discussed new revision to restricted food rule which states: Foods that are associated with young children's choking incidents, such as, but not limited to, peanuts, hot dogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, cheese cubes, grapes and any other food that is of similar shape and size of the trachea/windpipe shall not be served to the children less than four (4) years of age. Children older than four (4) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Comment

Please ensure the new updated infant feeding form is used. Discussed revision to the written feeding plans for children under the age of 1 years old. Age-appropriate solid foods (including cereal) shall not be given to infants or children less than one (1) year of age until recommended as developmentally appropriate by the child's primary care physician and indicated in writing by the Parent(s). As soon as the feeding plan indicates that a child is ready for solid foods, the child shall be fed from individual spoons and individual containers or dishes. A child shall not be fed directly from the original baby food container if the contents are to be fed to the child at more than one (1) meal or to more than one (1) child. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date. Hand washing requirements were discussed with the director on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

N/A

Comment

The center currently does not dispense or administer medication at this time, per the director. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Policies and Procedures

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

Met

Comment

Program was observed to have a complete emergency procedure document as required by the Department on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Comment

Discussed reporting requirements with the director on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

Center does not participate in field trips at this time. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

A current and completed inspection was observed for both vehicles used in transporting children on this date. Vehicle with tag number ending in X5453 was completed on December 9, 2020. Vehicle with tag number ending in X5455 was completed on December 14, 2020. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed for transportation completed from March 22, 2021 through April 2, 2021. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with the director and infant staff members on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Staff Records

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

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 01/03/2009	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/23/2019	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/20/2020	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 10/12/2011	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 11/13/2010	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/28/2016	
Staff # 7	Met

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

Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 12/02/2020	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/16/2019	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 03/25/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 09/23/2020	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 04/04/2016	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 10/17/2011	
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 07/24/2017	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 08/06/2009	
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2016	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 13

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since the last visit which was completed on November 13, 2020. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Additional cleaning and sanitizing recommendations due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on March 31, 2021.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date. Consultant discussed new revision to the supervision rule which states: Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.