

Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 4/9/2018 Arrival: 8:35 AM Departure: 12:15 PM VisitType: Licensing Study

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Compliance Zone Designation				
04/09/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
10/27/2017	Complaint Closure	Good Standing		
10/16/2017	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	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	Three Year Olds	1	4	С	9	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	В		0	0	С	9	С	NA	NA	
Main	С	Two Year Olds	1	5	С	8	С	NA	NA	Art
Main	D	Two Year Olds	1	2	С	6	С	NA	NA	Story
Main	E	Infants	1	2	С	22	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Floor Play,Feeding
Main	F	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	С	22	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 7	6		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 22	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 7	6		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Playground **Playground Building** Compliance Playground Occupancy Main С Playground 24 2 Main Playground smaller С

Comments

The consultant issued and discussed the compliance determination worksheet on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/09/2018

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: <u>All</u> 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@decal.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://decal.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.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

Ronald Tate, Program Official	Date	Penny Svenson, Consultant	Date



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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

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-.06 Bathrooms Met

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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)

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 staff members red backpack sitting on a floor cubby and the backpack was unzipped and a bottle of Aleve was observed to be present in the backpack and was accessible to the children.

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. The consultant informed the teacher that she needed to place the backpack up out of reach of the children.

Correction Deadline: 4/9/2018

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 observation that the fence that surrounds the playground was not four feet high as required, due to wooden planks being placed at the bottom of the fence to keep the resilient surface maintained inside the playground area. The fence measured 44 1/2 inches along the left side of the fence and 46 inches along the back of the fence when measured from the top of the wooden plank.

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. The center will add additional fencing to the top of the fence and ensure that it is four feet high in order to protect the playground from traffic and other hazards. Further this helps to prevent children from leaving the playground area by another means other than through an approved access route.

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2018

Recited on 4/9/2018

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2017

Corrected on 4/9/2018

Correction was observed on this date.

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 director stated that no medications have been administered since the last regulatory visit.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2017

Corrected on 4/9/2018

Correction was observed on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/16/2017

Corrected on 4/9/2018

Correction was observed on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 10/16/2017

Corrected on 4/9/2018

Correction was observed on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(c) requires that pillows shall not be used by children under two (2) years of age. When used for children two (2) years of age or older, pillows shall be assigned for individual use and covered with pillow cases that are marked for individual use or covered with cases that are laundered daily. Pillow cases that are marked for individual use shall be laundered weekly or more frequently as needed. It was determined based on observation that an infant was propped on four pillows that were sitting against the pink wall in Room E.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will: remove pillows from any children under two (2) years of age; assign pillows for individual and use pillow cases; mark each pillow case or launder them daily; and launder individually marked pillow cases at least weekly.

Correction Deadline: 4/9/2018

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 8	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 07/25/2017	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 07/30/2012	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/12/2013	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 02/28/2013	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 03/21/2017	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 06/15/2012	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 05/27/2015	Met

Records Reviewed: 8

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 07/30/2012

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Met

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Met

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

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

Correction Deadline: 10/16/2017

Corrected on 4/9/2018

Correction was observed on this date.