



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/9/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:50 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

CCLC-38249

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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.
02/09/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/18/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/29/2017	Licensing Study	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	Pre-K		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	A- Back Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B- Back Left		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C- Front Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	2	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 33			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 7		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 58		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0						

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	90	C

Comments

Requested all files on this date. Left a one day letter on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/09/2018

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: 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

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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-.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

Discussed the flooring of the left bathroom in the back building on this date. This room was not in use.

Correction Deadline: 3/11/2018

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

Previously Cited: 591-1-1-.26(8) requires the playground to be kept clean, free of litter and hazards. It was determined based on observation that several active ant hills were observed on the right-side of the back of the playground on this date.

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 on observation that a large branch was hanging over the fence and onto the playground, it was still partially attached at t the tree trunk creating a potential hazard on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Previously Cited: To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the playground, the center will ensure that the playground is free from ant hills.

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.

Correction Deadline: 2/13/2018**Recited on 2/9/2018**

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**

Per Director, no medication is dispensed at the center.

Safety

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

Please be mindful of voice tone in redirecting children.

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****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Please ensure that cribs/cots are labeled for individual use.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(g) requires Provisional Employees hired on or after January 1, 2014 to have a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check Determination. A Provisional Employee cannot reside at the Center or be present at the Center while children are present for care for more than 21 days from the date of hire or first day of residency without first submitting both a Fingerprint Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on a review of records that one employee was at the facility for more than twenty-one days and did not submit their fingerprints.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that Provisional Employees hired on or after January 1, 2014 have a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check Determination. The Center will have a plan to ensure that Provisional Employees hired on or after January 1, 2014 submit a Fingerprint Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site within 21 days from the date of hire or the first day of residency. The Center will not allow a provisional employee to be at the Center while children are present if this requirement is not met.

Correction Deadline: 2/9/2018

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Correction Deadline: 8/17/2017****Corrected on 2/9/2018****.33(3) - Observed staff to complete the health and safety training.****Correction Deadline: 4/28/2017****Corrected on 2/9/2018****.33(5) Training for the registration year 2017 was observed on this date.**

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****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.