



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/20/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 12:45 PM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

CCLC-38645

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
09/20/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
02/08/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/26/2017	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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	C7 2's Third Right	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D8 - 3's Fourth Right	Three Year Olds	2	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E10 (5yrs-6yrs) Fifth Right		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	F11- PreK Sixth Right	PreK	2	18	C	20	C	NA	NA	Snack,Circle Time
Main	First Right	One Year Olds	1	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	H9- PreK -Second Middle	PreK	2	20	C	19	NC	NA	NA	Circle Time,Snack
Main	I 5 - PreK -First Middle	PreK	2	18	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	J4- (9-10yrs) Third Left		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Main	K3 School Age Second Left		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	L2- 6wk-18mth First Left	Infants	1	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding
Main	Third Middle	PreK	2	18	C	21	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 193						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 108			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 193			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				


Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- Infants- Left Front	20	C

Main	B-School Age - Second Play Area - Left Side	49	C
Main	D- 2yrs-12yrs Right Side	135	C
Main	E- PreK - School Age- Right Front	87	C
Main	Rear Area Open Field (2ys-12yrs)	313	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/20/2018

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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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@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).

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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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.

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

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 potential classroom hazards with the Director. Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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 there was an open gate leading from the school age playground to the Pre-K Playground with the cap missing from the top structure with a bar that overlaps out from the frame of the fence.

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.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2018

Finding

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that there was inadequate mulch between 0-1 inch under the swings and slides on the School Age Playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 9/30/2018

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 Blue Rocking Horse missing handles, a Blue and Red Push Toy with a broken yellow cap with cracked edges, a Little Tyke Play Gym with cracks on the top structure posing potential hazards on the Infant and Toddler Playground. There were also two tables consisted of bird droppings in the outdoor open field.

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.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2018

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 20

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2016	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 02/05/2018	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 01/28/2016	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 09/17/2018	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/18/2018	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2016	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2016	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2016	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2016	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2016	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2016	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2016	
Staff # 13	Met

Records Reviewed: 20

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 08/04/2016

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 08/05/2016

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2015

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 08/05/2016

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2015

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/2016

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2016

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 08/05/2016

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 20

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

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 2 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.