



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/24/2019 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:15 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-39036

Country Kids Daycare

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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.
07/24/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/21/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
02/27/2019	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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	A	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers,Art
Main	B	One Year Olds	1	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Lunch,Floor Play
Main	C	Infants	1	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap
Main	D	Three Year Olds	1	10	C	25	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Art
Main	E	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	10	C	28	C	NA	NA	Centers,Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 93						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 39			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 93			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Infant/Toddler	29	C
Main	B-Back	46	C

Comments

This Monitoring Visit is the first regulatory visit for Country Kids Daycare this 2019 - 2020 fiscal year. The center director stated medication is administered, no field trips or routine transportation is provided. The center currently has a two star Quality Rating. The center has currently changed ownership and the center director remains the same.

The center director stated two new employee have been hired since the consultant's last visit. The center director provided two employee files to the consultant. The consultant reviews all staff files and finds that each staff member has a satisfactory comprehensive fingerprint criminal records clearance determination letter on file as required.

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.al.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@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).

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

Keri Sapp, Program Official

Date

Connie Boatright, 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-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.03(2) - The center director and staff will ensure that lesson plans are prepared according to GELDS standards.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2019

Comment

The consultant observed a variety of age appropriate activities throughout the center.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2019

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

The consultant observed toys and equipment to be in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 3/11/2019

Corrected on 7/24/2019

.12(2) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected.

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

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) - The center director and staff will ensure that the frayed grey rub located in classroom E, the three and four-year-old classroom, is repaired, removed or replaced. Additionally, the bottom wood step leading from classroom E, the three and four-year-old classroom, is weathered, broken and in need of repair.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2019**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that a window screen located on the two-year-old playground by the cement has a two inch by a seven inch tear and in need of replacement. Additionally, the window screen located outside of the three and four-year-old classroom has a seven inch x five inch rip and in need of replacement.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 8/5/2019**Recited on 7/24/2019****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(8) - The center director and staff will ensure that all electrical outlets are capped with a protective covering.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2019

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

591-1-1-.26(6) - The center director will ensure that all metal equipment, swing chains, safety bars to the ladder of the large slide is free of rust and chipping paint.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2019**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the following hazards exist on the playground.

One and two-year-old playground:

- One black Little Tykes Coupe car is missing a gas cap and posing a potential entrapment hazard.
- Four of four boards used for sitting are weathered and splintered and loose, located in the blue, red and yellow metal house.
- One of two black bucket toddler seats has a one and a half inch tear in the seat and in need of repair.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 8/5/2019

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - The center director will ensure that any weeds, running vines and bamboo limbs are growing through the back of the fence into the playground are is kept cut and inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2019

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3

Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2019

Corrected on 7/24/2019

.07(2) - The previous citation is observed to be corrected on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.17(6) - The center director will ensure that all trash case located inside of the center and on the playgrounds have tight fitting lids. (Bathroom of the three-year-old classroom).

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2019

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

Met

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **Met**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment 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**

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - The center director will ensure that all mats stored within the classroom and accessible to the children are kept covered at all times when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2019

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 08/29/2018

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 02/26/2018

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 06/17/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 10/01/2015

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 04/10/2019

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 02/01/2017

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

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

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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.