



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/27/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 8:45 AM

Departure: 11:00 AM

CCLC-39184

Rivers Day Care

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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. |
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| 08/27/2018 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 02/07/2018 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 07/26/2017 | 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 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| Main | front L-shaped room | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 1 | 5 | C | 12 | C | NA | NA | Music,Centers |
| Main | Infant | Infants and One Year Olds | 1 | 3 | C | 4 | C | NA | NA | Floor Play |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 16 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 8 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/27/2018

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(ii)(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

Nanette Rivers, Program Official

Date

Stacey Foston, Consultant

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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-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.03(1) - Reminded the director to ensure current and dated lesson plans are posted in all classrooms

Correction Deadline: 8/27/2018

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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Met

Child # 3

Met

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Facility

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| 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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| 591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) | Not Met |
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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 a review of record that the handle to the cabinet under the bathroom sink was broken and did not have a safety latch. The consultant observed a bottle of Clorox spray cleanser in the cabinet and accessible to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The director removed the items under the sink during the visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/27/2018

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| 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) | Technical Assistance |
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Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26 - Discussed with the director about removing the weeds that are growing in the mulch

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2018

Corrected on 8/27/2018

.26(6) - The previous citation has been corrected. The previously cited equipment has been made inaccessible tot the children.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2018

Corrected on 8/27/2018

.26(9) - The previous citation has been corrected.

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| | Food Service |
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| 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition | Met |
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Comment

Please ensure that infant feeding forms are updated regularly.

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| 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations | Met |
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Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

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| | Health and Hygiene |
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| 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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| 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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| 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) | N/A |
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Comment

The Center currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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| | Safety |
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| 591-1-1-.05 Animals | Met |
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Center does not participate in field trips.

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| 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) | N/A |
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Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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| Sleeping & Resting Equipment |
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| 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Cribs and cots observed to be in good condition.

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| Staff Records |
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Records Reviewed: 4

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

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| Staff # 1 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 03/15/2002

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| Staff # 2 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 01/10/2018

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| Staff # 3 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 08/12/1994

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| Staff # 4 | Met |
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Date of Hire: 05/30/2018

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4

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

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete. All current staff has a comprehensive background check.

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| 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR | Met |
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Comment

Complete first aid kits observed in center.

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Not Met****Comment**

Discussed: Health and Safety Training is required for each staff member with direct care responsibilities within 90 calendar days of their hire date.

Finding

591-1-1-.33(6) requires, in the first year of employment and then by calendar year thereafter, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers to attend ten (10) clock hours of training which is task-focused in early childhood education or child development or subjects relating to job assignment and is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. It was determined based on a review of records that two staff members did not complete the required ten hours of training for the year 2017.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The consultant observed documentation that the staff has obtained some training for the year 2018. The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2018

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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| Staffing and Supervision |
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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.