



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 11/14/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 8:20 AM

Departure: 9:45 AM

CCLC-39273

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
11/14/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
04/25/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
10/26/2016	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	Only	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	4	23	C	24	C	NA	NA	Breakfast, Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			24		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 23			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:		24		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Only	31	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/14/2017

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@decals.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://decals.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.decals.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@decals.ga.gov

Brittany Brown, Program Official

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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)

Not Met

Finding

Previously Cited: 591-1-1-.12(2)(a) requires that equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint. It was determined based on observation that the "S" hooks on the big swings on the playground were open and not clamped shut as required.

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the swings on the playground had "S" hooks that were not closed completely as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Previously Cited: The center director will develop/implement a system for informing center staff about identification of hazards and what to do when a hazard is identified.

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2017

Recited on 11/14/2017

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) **Met**

Comment

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Please ensure that the black mat under the large climber is covered completely with sand so that it does not pose a possible tripping hazard.

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Observed-Proper Diapering

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

Comment

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) **Not Evaluated**

Comment

Per staff member, no medication has been administered at the facility since the last visit in April 2017.

Safety

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

Comment

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.30(4). requires that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags. It was determined based on observation that mats were stored with sheets on them that were stacked and touching.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will store cots and mats so children do not have access to them and they don't take up play space and will store them so each child's bedding is separate from the others.

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2017

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 01/06/2010	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 09/20/2017	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 10/04/2013	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 09/11/2017	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 04/10/2017	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 10/24/2016	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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

Comment

Two staff members hired since last visit.

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

Comment

Lead staff education requirements

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) **Met**

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR) **Met**

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision