



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 1/30/2020    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 12:40 PM    **Departure:** 4:35 PM

**CCLC-3966**

**Noah's Ark Christian Learning Center**

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**Quality Rated:**

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
01/30/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/26/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/20/2019	Monitoring Visit	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-202	One Year Olds	1	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B-203	One Year Olds	1	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-204	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D-205	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E-210	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	F-213	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	20	C	28	C	Nap
Main	G-214		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	H-215	One Year Olds	1	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	I-216	One Year Olds	1	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	J-217	Infants	1	3	C	10	C	15	C	Floor Play
Main	K-218-219	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	14	C	20	C	29	C	Snack
Main	L-227	PreK	2	18	C	20	C	29	C	Nap
Main	M-229	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	10	C	20	C	29	C	Nap
Main	N-232	Infants	1	3	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding
Main	O-234	Infants	2	4	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Diapering
Main	P-235		0	0	C	9	C	12	C	
Main	Q-236-237		0	0	C	33	C	46	C	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 241

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 297


Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground (3-12 Yrs)	62	C
Main	Playground-Infant	32	C

**Comments**

Follow up to the previous Licensing Study that was conducted on September 26, 2019 was completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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](mailto: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.state.ga.us/>  
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.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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Trina Stone, 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)

Met

#### Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

**Correction Deadline:** 9/26/2019

**Corrected on 1/30/2020**

.12(4) - The center removed the shelf and replaced it with one that is secure.

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

N/A

#### 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)

Met

**Correction Deadline:** 9/26/2019

**Corrected on 1/30/2020**

.25(3) - The windows were observed to have been replaced.

#### 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

### Health and Hygiene

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

**Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

**Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

**Comment**

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

**Safety**

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

**Comment**

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

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**591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)** **Defer**

**Defer**

591-1-1-.13(6)-The Director stated that no field trips have been taken since the previous visit was conducted on September 26, 2019. This rule will be evaluated on the next visit.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Center Staff will review emergency medical information for each child who goes on a field trip and obtain any missing information. The Center will ensure that this information is in the possession of both the Center and the required adult on the trip.

**Correction Deadline: 9/26/2019**

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

**Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Vehicle inspections were observed completed as follows:

Van #1 PB7778, November 5, 2019

Van #2 PB7777, November 7, 2019

Van #3 PB7779, November 11, 2019.

Transportation procedures were observed on this date.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Correction Deadline: 9/26/2019**

**Corrected on 1/30/2020**

**.30(1)(a)3 - Crib sheets were observed to be clean. Staff stated that sheets are changed as needed, but at least daily.**

**Staff Records**

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**Records Reviewed: 22**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 01/22/2016

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 01/13/2020

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 07/02/2012

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 10/02/2017

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 10/03/2016

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 11/15/2017

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 10/23/2019

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 04/02/2019

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 11/12/2018

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 03/19/2019

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 03/04/2019

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 07/02/2018

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 01/13/2020

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 12/30/2019

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 11/02/2016

Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 11/11/2019	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 06/25/2018	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 03/21/2019	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 10/10/2019	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 06/10/2016	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 03/21/2019	Met

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 12**


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

**Comment**

Director provided nine files for employees hired since last visit on September 26, 2019.

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

**Correction Deadline: 9/26/2019**

**Corrected on 1/30/2020**

.31(1)(b)2. - A new Director is in charge who has a credential.

**Correction Deadline: 9/26/2019**

**Corrected on 1/30/2020**

.31(2)(b)2. - Lead teacher's have been replaced with new staff who are enrolled in school.

**Correction Deadline: 9/26/2019**

**Corrected on 1/30/2020**

.31(2)(b)3.(ii)(I) - (VIII) - Written education plans were observed for all staff enrolled in education programs.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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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.

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.