



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/12/2017 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:25 AM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-411

Smart Kids Childcare/Learning Center

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
12/12/2017	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/15/2017	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
08/15/2017	Complaint Investigation & 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
1	1L	PreK	2	17	C	29	C	NA	NA	Story, Transitioning, Nap
1	1st Right	PreK	2	19	C	28	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch, Nap
1	2R-Storage		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
1	3rd Right	Infants	1	3	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap, Free Play
1	4R	One Year Olds	2	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
1	5R	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
1	Rear	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	20	C	38	C	NA	NA	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 153					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 75					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

The purpose of this visit was to investigate a complaint and follow up on previous citations.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/12/2017

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@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

Axel Avin, Program Official

Date

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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

Correction Deadline: 8/29/2017

Corrected on 12/12/2017

Citation observed to be corrected. Center discarded of vinyl steps.

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

Met

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

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2017

Corrected on 12/12/2017

Citation observed to be corrected.

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

Met

Comment

Consultant discussed playground maintenance after Inclement Weather. Large tree limbs was observed to have fell.

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

Safety

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

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 12/26/2017****Corrected on 12/12/2017**

Citation observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed complete documentation of training.

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2017**Corrected on 12/12/2017**

Citation observed corrected

Correction Deadline: 8/16/2017**Corrected on 12/12/2017**

Citation observed to be corrected.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 8/15/2017****Corrected on 12/12/2017**

Citation observed to be corrected. New sheets was observed to be on cribs.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 22**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2001

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 10/30/1999

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 10/01/1998

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 08/17/2017

Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 07/30/2016	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 09/16/2016	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/13/2015	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 12/14/2015	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 02/25/2013	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 09/21/2015	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 11/19/2012	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 07/26/2016	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/24/2016	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 08/14/2017	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 06/12/2017	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 05/25/2016	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 10/16/2017	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 04/24/2017	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 07/03/2017	Met

Records Reviewed: 22**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 20 Met
Date of Hire: 02/11/2008

Staff # 21 Met
Date of Hire: 05/09/2016

Staff # 22 Met
Date of Hire: 08/02/2010

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 22

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

Criminal Records Check complete

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2017

Corrected on 12/12/2017

Citation observed to be corrected. Consultant reviewed all staff Health and Safety required training.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Not Met**Finding**

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2. requires teachers and lead caregivers to meet minimum academic requirements and qualifying experience at the time of employment. It was determined based on a review of records that the center had one lead teachers without the required credentials.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

A teacher/lead caregiver will be hired that meets the minimum academic requirements and qualifying work experience.

Owner stated that she is requesting a variance waiver for lead teacher who has been employed with her for over ten years.

Correction Deadline: 12/26/2017

Recited on 12/12/2017

The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Visit:

Health and Hygiene

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

Correction Deadline: 8/16/2017

Corrected on 12/12/2017

Citation observed to be corrected. Posted notifications was observed of illnesses on this date.