



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/23/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 3:00 PM **Departure:** 4:30 PM

CCLC-436

Starr's Mill Academy Preschool and Childcare Center

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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.
08/23/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/20/2021	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
03/17/2021	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	1st Left	Infants	1	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play
Main	1st Right	Infants	2	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Nap
Main	2nd Left	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2nd Right	One Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3rd Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3rd Right	One Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	4th left	Three Year Olds	2	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	4th Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	5th Left	PreK	2	19	C	25	C	35	C	Nap
Main	5th Right	PreK	2	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	6th Left	PreK	2	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	6th Right		0	0	C	25	C	35	C	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 224

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Building @35 capacity limited by Health Department Limitations

Total # Children this Date: 138

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 224

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 224

Building @25 capacity limited by Health Department Limitations

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG :eft Rear	143	C
Main	PG left Front	15	C
Main	PG right Front	22	C

Comments

"An Administrative Review was conducted on 8/23/2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on 8/24/2021 with the Provider. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19pandemic."

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.decal.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@decal.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://decal.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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov

Ramelle Dinofer, Program Official

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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-.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)

Met

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

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

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance

Discussed maintenance of Pre-K bathrooms in regards to brighter lights and toilet paper dispensers.

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**

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Technical Assistance

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Food Service

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

Correction Deadline: 5/20/2021

Corrected on 8/23/2021

Observed corrected, please continue to monitor.

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Corrected on 8/23/2021

Observed corrected, please continue to monitor.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance

Discussed ensuring the thermometer is present in the freezer with the Director.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Staff stated the proper knowledge.

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**

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**

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date. Please ensure excess trash is removed from transportation vehicles daily.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 37**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 06/30/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 01/16/2020	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/20/2020	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 10/11/2019	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 09/20/2018	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 04/24/2014	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 12/01/2001	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 10/01/2020	

Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 10/26/2018	
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 05/01/2018	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 05/20/2020	
Staff # 20	Met
Staff # 21	Met
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 05/20/2019	
Staff # 23	Met
Staff # 24	Met
Staff # 25	Met
Staff # 26	Met
Staff # 27	Met
Date of Hire: 08/21/2019	
Staff # 28	Met
Date of Hire: 12/16/2019	
Staff # 29	Met

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Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 05/15/2001	Met
Staff # 31 Date of Hire: 04/18/2018	Met
Staff # 32 Date of Hire: 08/11/2017	Met
Staff # 33	Met
Staff # 34 Date of Hire: 10/20/2017	Met
Staff # 35	Met
Staff # 36 Date of Hire: 11/27/2020	Met
Staff # 37	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR **Met**

Comment

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

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.