

Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 6/17/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 10:00 AM Departure: 12:05 PM

CCLC-48324 Regional Consultant

Childcare Network #23

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Quality Rated:





Compliance Zone Designation				
06/17/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
11/07/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
04/25/2018	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 - Progran

Deficient

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

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- 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	A	Infants and One Year Olds	2	5	С	16	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding
Main	В	One Year Olds	1	7	С	17	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Diapering
Main	С	One Year Olds	1	5	С	19	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	D	Two Year Olds	2	11	С	21	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E	Six Year Olds and Over	1	21	С	27	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	F	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	13	С	24	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G		0	0	С	23	С	NA	NA	
Main	Н		0	0	С	16	С	NA	NA	
Main	1	Three Year Olds	1	10	С	14	С	NA	NA	Lunch,Transitioni
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	77		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 72	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	77	·	Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	19	C
Main	В	41	С
Main	С	60	С
Main	D	85	С

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

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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

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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 a purple stool in Room E was observed to have tears on the top black cushion with foam exposed on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 6/17/2019

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(3) - The consultant discussed with the director to ensure that stacked chairs are not stacked in classrooms when children are active and present.

Correction Deadline: 6/17/2019

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)

Not Met

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 observation, that the following potential hazards were observed:

•Room E: A broom and dustpan were observed accessible to children near the Men's bathroom on this date. A plastic trash bag containing discarded blankets and a pillow was observed accessible to children on the floor near children's cubbies on this date.

•Room F: A staff bag was observed accessible to children on top of children's cubbies on this date. Plastic bags were observed accessible to children in children's cubbies. Two brooms, a dustpan, and staff bags were observed accessible to children in an unlocked closet on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 6/17/2019

Recited on 6/17/2019

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

Animals maintained clean and appropriately caged.

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

Met

Comment

Please be mindful of voice tone in redirecting children.

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 22	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 09/28/2016	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 02/11/2019	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/02/1992	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 06/26/2000	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 02/04/2019	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 10/09/2017	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 12/14/2017	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/05/2013	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 12/14/2017	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 04/22/2019	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 04/02/2018	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 05/14/2019	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 04/30/2018	Met

Records Reviewed: 22 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Staff # 14 Met Date of Hire: 05/08/2018 Staff # 15 Met Date of Hire: 07/30/2018 Staff # 16 Met Date of Hire: 02/16/2012 Staff # 17 Met Date of Hire: 03/28/2018 Staff # 18 Met Date of Hire: 06/17/2019 Staff # 19 Met Date of Hire: 01/08/2018 Staff # 20 Met Date of Hire: 08/07/2018 Staff # 21 Met Date of Hire: 03/18/2019 Staff # 22 Met Date of Hire: 07/31/2018 Staff Credentials Reviewed: 22 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Met Comment Criminal record checks were observed to be complete. Director provided five files for employees hired since last visit. 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met Correction Deadline: 12/7/2018 Corrected on 6/17/2019

.14(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that all staff had evidence of completion of first aid and CPR, as required within 90 days of employment, on this date.

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.