



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/31/2019 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:30 AM

Departure: 11:35 AM

CCLC-48563

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
12/31/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
05/23/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/07/2018	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 - 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	A - Two Front L	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B - Toddler 2L		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C - Mid Back 3/4	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	9	C	28	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D - Infant R	Infants	1	2	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			60			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 19			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 60			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - Toddler	31	C
Main	B - Older PG	29	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit.

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.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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.state.ga.us.

- 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.state.ga.us/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

Eva Davis, 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)

Not Met

Finding

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 red paint on the climbing equipment on the purple playground was peeling and flaking off.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2019

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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.

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical**Met****Correction Deadline: 8/6/2018****Corrected on 12/31/2019****It was determined based on review of records that the center has a certificate of occupancy on this date.**

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

Consultant discussed with director re-luffing and redistributing mulch on both the purple and orange playgrounds. Consultant also discussed with the director adding new mulch when resilient surfacing is less than six inches deep.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 12/21/2018****Corrected on 12/31/2019****It was determined based on observation that the diaper changing pads in the infant room were smooth and nonporous on this date.**

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

Proper hand washing procedures stated by staff throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection stated by staff throughout the center.

Comment

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

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Technical Assistance****Correction Deadline: 5/23/2019****Corrected on 12/31/2019****It was determined based on discussion with staff that crib sheets are changed daily or when soiled.****Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the director storing blankets in individual bins or cubbies when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2019

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 9

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 07/27/2015	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 09/26/2018	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 09/12/2019	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 08/04/2014	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4

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 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Correction Deadline: 6/22/2019

Corrected on 12/31/2019

It was determined based on review of staff records that Health and Safety Orientation training was completed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2019

Corrected on 12/31/2019

It was determined based on review of staff records and documentation that 2019 training hours were completed.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

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