



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/2/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:40 AM **Departure:** 12:10 PM

CCLC-49916

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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.
01/02/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
07/02/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
07/02/2019	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	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-1R- 3's	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	21	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	B-1L-2's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	9	C	15	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	C-1L Back-1's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D-2L-Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	11	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap,Feeding
Main	E-Back Left-4's	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	14	C	23	C	33	C	Free Play
Main	F-Back Right- 3's &4's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	8	C	24	C	33	C	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 110			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 120							
Total # Children this Date: 48			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 110			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 120		Building @25 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A	24	C
Main	PG B	94	C
Main	PG C	55	C

Comments

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/RuleAndRegulations.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

Jacquelyn Dunn, Program Official

Date

April Brown, Consultant

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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 on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities at this time. No pool on property on this date.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained on this date.

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children in care. Consultant discussed with the director to ensure baby wipes and plastic bags are stored so that they are inaccessible to children in care.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair on this date. Consultant discussed with the director to monitor the red stationary see saw on Playground C for rust and chipped paint.

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands on this date.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete on this date.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date.

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

A current and completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children on this date. Vehicles with license plates ending in B7511, U9593 and E5171 were completed on August 19, 2019.

Comment

All three vehicles had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 14

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
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Staff # 1	Met
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Date of Hire: 10/27/2017

Staff # 2	Met
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Date of Hire: 10/28/2019

Staff # 3	Met
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Date of Hire: 02/05/2019

Staff # 4	Met
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Date of Hire: 01/30/2011

Staff # 5	Met
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Date of Hire: 01/30/2011

Staff # 6 Met

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2012

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 09/11/2015

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 08/06/2013

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 01/30/2011

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 07/01/2014

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 05/28/2019

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 01/30/2011

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 01/08/2018

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 11

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit which was completed on July 2, 2019.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Defer**Defer**

Staff training will be deferred and reviewed during the next licensing study visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2019

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date. Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs on this date.