



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/23/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:45 AM

Departure: 11:30 AM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

| Compliance Zone Designation | | |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------|
| 10/23/2020 | Licensing Study | Good Standing |
| 07/26/2019 | Complaint Closure | Good Standing |
| 07/09/2019 | Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study | 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- 6wks to 12 months | Infants and One Year Olds | 1 | 6 | C | 10 | C | NA | NA | Floor Play,Nap |
| Main | B- 1's | One Year Olds | 1 | 8 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | Nap |
| Main | C- 2's | Two Year Olds | 1 | 9 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | Nap |
| Main | D- GA Pre-K | | 0 | 0 | C | 31 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| Main | E-1/ GA Pre K | PreK | 2 | 21 | C | 21 | C | NA | NA | Circle Time |
| Main | E-2/ GA PreK | PreK | 2 | 22 | C | 21 | NC | NA | NA | Circle Time |
| Main | F-1/ 4 and up (AS) | Three Year Olds | 1 | 14 | C | 30 | C | NA | NA | Nap |

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 149

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 80

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 149

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|---|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | Playground A-Left Front - 6wks- 12 months | 14 | C |
| Main | Playground B - Left Side/ Rear- 1's and 2's | 43 | C |
| Main | Playground C - Right Side/Rear/ 3 and up | 82 | C |
| Main | Playground D - Right Side/Center Area/ 3 and up | 62 | C |

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on October 23, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on November 2, 2020 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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.al.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@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).

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

June Boardman, Program Official

Date

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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.

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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 met. The Center has a variance on file for room E-2 GA PreK to house 22 children during Georgia Pre-K hours.

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Not Evaluated****Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated due to loss of reception and will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit.

Food Service**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition** **Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.15(5) - Discussed menu substitutions and documenting when substitutions are made.

Correction Deadline: 10/23/2020**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations** **Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

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

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed on this date.

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

Discussed handwashing, staff stated proper knowledge.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) **N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met****Correction Deadline: 7/14/2019****Corrected on 10/23/2020****.21(3) - Previous citation corrected on this date. A current, up-to-date emergency drill log was observed with all required drills documented.****Safety**

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

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

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

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

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 13**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Staff # 1 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/10/2020 | |
| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/15/2020 | |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/15/2019 | |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/10/2020 | |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/14/2019 | |
| Staff # 7 | Met |

Records Reviewed: 13

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 08/03/2020

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 01/31/2019

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 07/21/2020

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 01/27/2020

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 06/10/2020

Staff # 12 Met

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 09/15/2018

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-.33 Staff Training Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(4) - Discussed ensuring food prep training is completed for new staff requiring it.

Correction Deadline: 11/22/2020

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

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 2020.

Correction Deadline: 10/23/2020

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.