



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/3/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 3:00 PM **Departure:** 4:30 PM

CCLC-52441

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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.
02/03/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/06/2021	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
11/23/2020	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	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 1st Left	PreK	1	12	C	26	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	B 2nd Left	PreK	2	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	C 3rd Left	Three Year Olds	1	13	C	22	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	D 4th Left	Three Year Olds	1	8	C	22	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E 5th Left	Five Year Olds	1	5	C	23	C	33	C	Circle Time
Main	F 6th Right	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	15	C	17	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G 5th Right	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	H 4th Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	I 3rd Right	One Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	J 2nd Right		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	K 1st Right	Infants	2	7	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding,Flo or Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 206

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 216

Total # Children this Date: 100

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A (inf-2yrs)	51	C
Main	Activity Area	46	C
Main	B (3-12 yrs)	135	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on February 3, 2021. Staff files, children’s files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on February 10, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order was reviewed. The new infant feeding plan was shared with the provider on this date.

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

Michelle Caldwell, 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

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

Met

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)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The physical plant appeared to be clean and in good repair upon virtual walk through.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Playground appeared to be clean and in good repair upon virtual walk through.

Food Service

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

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Met**

Comment

Meal service was stated to take place in classrooms rather than in a congregated or communal setting.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director/Provider on this date.

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

Comment

Hand washing requirements were discussed with the Director/Provider on this date.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.29 - The consultant discussed the new required reporting requirements with the provider on this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **Met**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Provider 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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Sleeping and Resting was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper sleeping and resting were discussed with the Provider on this date.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 24****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 12/02/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 04/25/2011	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 12/08/2020	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 05/21/2012	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 07/19/2019	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/30/2019	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 10/28/2020	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 10/13/2008	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 01/14/2019	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 05/13/2019	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 07/27/2015	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 11/16/2020	
Staff # 13	Met

Records Reviewed: 24

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Date of Hire: 09/20/2018

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 03/15/2016

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 11/13/2020

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 02/01/2019

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 08/14/2017

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 03/03/2020

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 01/24/2020

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 02/07/2020

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 02/18/2019

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 01/02/2019

Staff # 23 Met

Date of Hire: 07/01/2016

Staff # 24 Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2020

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.

Comment

Director provided six file(s) for employees hired since the last visit conducted on July 31, 2020.

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

Comment

591-1-1-.31(13) - 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.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2021

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**

Correction Deadline: 1/12/2021

Corrected on 2/3/2021

.32(7) - The previous citation was corrected on this date as appropriate supervision was observed upon the program's virtual visit.