



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/24/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 3:45 PM

Departure: 5:15 PM

CCLC-937

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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. |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|--|
| 08/24/2020 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 01/21/2020 | POI Follow Up | Good Standing | |
| 11/05/2019 | Complaint Closure | 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 | 1st Left | Three Year Olds | 2 | 14 | C | 22 | C | 31 | C | Centers |
| Main | 1st Right | Infants | 2 | 5 | C | 17 | C | NA | NA | Floor Play |
| Main | 2nd Left | PreK | 2 | 12 | C | 19 | C | 27 | C | Outside |
| Main | 2nd Right | One Year Olds | 2 | 12 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 3rd Left | PreK | 2 | 12 | C | 27 | C | 38 | C | Centers |
| Main | 3rd Right | Two Year Olds | 2 | 11 | C | 22 | C | NA | NA | Story |
| Main | 4th Right | PreK | 2 | 12 | C | 32 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 157 | | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 185 | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 78 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 157 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 185 | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | PG- Left and Rear Playground | 90 | C |
| Main | PG- Right | 62 | C |

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on August 24, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 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 May 12, 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.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

Brenda Warren, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, Consultant

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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. 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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 1 Met

Child # 2 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing

Child # 3 Met

Child # 4 Met

Child # 5 Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.08(1) - The consultant discussed with the director to ensure children's files contained all required information, as one child's file reviewed was lacking the addresses for release persons and emergency contacts on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2020

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**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date. 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-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Met****Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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 on this date.

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

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

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety**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 Director on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Defer****Defer**

591-1-1-.13(2)- A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit due to all field trips being suspended due to the Executive Order issued on May 12, 2020.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center Staff will have and use a system to obtain written field trip permission in advance and ensure the permission is signed and dated by the responsible person.

Correction Deadline: 10/29/2019

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

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

Comment

The director stated that routine school transportation resumed on August 3, 2020 with the start of Columbia County Schools. Complete documentation of transportation for the week of August 10, 2020 was provided to the consultant from the director. The director stated that social distancing and masks were being worn during transportation and that the vehicle used was cleaned and disinfected after each trip.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 21**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Staff # 1 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/03/2017 | |
| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/16/2018 | |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/20/2020 | |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/20/2020 | |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 02/10/2020 | |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/01/2012 | |
| Staff # 7 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 12/02/2019 | |

Records Reviewed: 21**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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|--------------------------|-----|
| Staff # 8 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/07/2017 | |
| Staff # 9 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/21/2009 | |
| Staff # 10 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/18/2020 | |
| Staff # 11 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/31/2020 | |
| Staff # 12 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 04/29/2019 | |
| Staff # 13 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/30/2020 | |
| Staff # 14 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 02/17/2020 | |
| Staff # 15 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/01/2019 | |
| Staff # 16 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/29/2019 | |
| Staff # 17 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 06/02/2014 | |
| Staff # 18 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/01/2019 | |
| Staff # 19 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/15/2019 | |
| Staff # 20 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 06/08/2016 | |
| Staff # 21 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/15/2019 | |

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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****Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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 May 12, 2020.

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| Staffing and Supervision |
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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**

Adequate supervision observed on this date during the virtual walk through.