

## Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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#### **Cover Sheet**

Date: 6/23/2022 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 9:30 AM Departure: 11:30 AM

CCLC-504 Regional Consultant

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Quality Rated: \*

Compliance Zone Designation				
06/23/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
09/29/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing		
09/28/2021	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.
- 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 - Main Hall-Right	One Year Olds	2	11	С	18	С	NA	NA	Circle Time,Story
Main	B- Main Hall-Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	14	С	18	С	NA	NA	Outside,Transitio
Main	C Right Hall - Left	Two Year Olds	2	16	С	22	С	NA	NA	Outside,Transitio
Main	D-Right Hall-Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	13	С	23	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Out side
Main	E- Left Hall-Right		0	0	С	22	С	NA	NA	
Main	F-Left Hall-Left		0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	
Main	G-Lunchroom	Six Year Olds and Over	1	25	С	28	С	NA	NA	Outside,Free Play,Transitionin g
Main	H - Library	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	9	С	9	С	NA	NA	Free Play,Outside,Tra nsitioning
Main	I-Behind Lunchroom	Infants	2	8	С	14	С	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	15		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.		@35 capa Limitation	city limited by Fire
Total # C	hildren this Date: 06	Total Capacity @35 cg. ft : 1	15		Total C	anacity @	25 ca	*		

Total # Children this Date: 96

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 115

Total Capacity @25 sq.

ft.: 0

Building Playground		Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance	
Main	A	126	С	
Main	В	91	С	

An in-person Monitoring Visit was conducted on June 23, 2022. All criminal background checks were reviewed during the visit. The visit report was completed on June 24, 2022 and emailed to the director on this date.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed 06/23/2022

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.decal.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





## Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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.

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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 soft climb on toy with triangles in classroom A had peeling vinyl with exposed threads and foam throughout the toy that needed to be repaired, replaced, or removed.

## **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

## 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

Discussed movement of children to maintain capacities. Discussed ensuring that the cafeteria area does not exceed the maximum licensed capacity.

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazardous materials and supplies were stored accessible to children:

- -In classroom C, a broom and dust pan, a bottle of hand sanitizer, two pairs of adult scissors, a can of Lysol spray, and staff keys with hand sanitizer attached were stored accessible to children.
- -In classroom D, a can of air freshener spray, a pack of Lysol wipes, a bottle of hand sanitizer, 2 spray bottles containing cleaning solution, a box of gloves, and a broom and dust pan were stored accessible to children.
- -In classroom H, a pack of Lysol wipes, a bottle of hand sanitizer, a can of sunscreen, and a can of Lysol spray were stored accessible to children.
- -In bathroom in between classrooms C and D, there were 2 toilet plungers, six containers of Lysol wipes, a roll of trash bags, two packs of baby wipes, a bag containing paper towels, and a bag of automotive absorbent stored accessible to children.
- -In the girls bathroom near the lunchroom, there were two cans of air freshener stored on the toilet accessible to children.
- -In the boys bathroom near the lunchroom, there were 2 containers of Lysol wipes and three packs of baby wipes stored accessible to children.

## **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the following items were in need of repair:

- -In classroom B, there was chipping paint present on all walls throughout the classroom in need of repair.
- -In classroom D, there was chipping paint present in the block area and near the dress up locker by the back door in need of repair.
- -In classroom I, there was chipping paint and sheet rock present on the left side wall by the baby gate in need of repair.
- -In the bathroom between classrooms C and D, there was a floor tile near the toilet that was broken and in need of repair.
- -In the girls bathroom near the lunchroom, three toilet seats were worn and had rough surfacing on the seats and were in need of repair.
- -In the boys bathroom near the lunchroom, the board behind the urinal was swelling and peeling and was in need of repair.

## **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

#### **Technical Assistance**

Please ensure all cords are secured to prevent access to children.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

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

Not Met

## **Technical Assistance**

Please inspect the fencing on the front right left of the playground to ensure there are no gaps in the fencing.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

## **Finding**

591-1-1-26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that nine of nine bars on the monkey bars had rust and sharp, jagged edges present that posed a potential hazard.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2022

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that the following fall zones were in need of resilient surfacing:

- On playground A, the swings on the right side of the playground had zero inches of resilient surfacing where six inches is required.
- -On playground A, the swings on the left side of the playground had zero inches of resilient surfacing where six inches is required.
- -On playground A, the monkey bars had one inch of resilient surfacing where six inches is required.
- -On playground A, the yellow slide had one inch of resilient surfacing where three inches is required.
- -On playground A, the climber with the sliding pole had one inch of resilient surfacing at the sliding pole and both ladders where three inches is required.
- -On playground B, the swings had two inches of resilient surfacing where six inches is required.

## **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2022

#### **Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that the playground is kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. Please ensure the playground is free from litter. Additionally, please inspect the playground for ant hills and treat as needed.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

Health and Hygiene

## 591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

**Technical Assistance** 

## **Technical Assistance**

Please ensure Center Staff do not permit children to wear around their necks or attached to their clothing including pacifier clips, necklaces, or other hazardous items. Please remove all pacifier clips from pacifiers before use at the center.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

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

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

## **Finding**

591-1-1-1.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a quard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that the changing pad in classroom B had a five inch tear and was not smooth and nonporous as required.

## **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

#### 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Please ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste. Please ensure the trash cans in classrooms C and I have lids and that the remain on the trash cans.

## Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

## 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

## 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

## 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)

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)3 requires that sheets or similar coverings for cots or mats shall either be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If marked for individual use, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed. It was determined based on observation that the mats in classrooms A and C were stored with the sheets touching. Additionally, center staff stated that mat sheets and blankets are laundered every other week when weekly laundering is required.

## **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that sheets are marked for individual use or washed daily and that marked sheets are washed at least weekly.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 22	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 07/06/2020	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 03/29/2022	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 01/07/2019	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 01/01/2002	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 10/05/2021	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 03/16/2022	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 09/03/2015	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/06/2018	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 09/23/2019	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 06/08/2021	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 06/23/2020	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 11/25/2020	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 02/20/2018	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 03/22/2021	Met
Staff # 15	Met

Records Reviewed: 22 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 05/05/2022

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 09/06/2016

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 08/11/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 09/30/2019

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 06/08/2021

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 08/02/2021

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 09/24/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 04/19/2019

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

## 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

## Comment

Director provided five files for employees hired since the last visit.

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

Met

### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

#### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.