



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/21/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 1:15 PM **Departure:** 3:55 PM

CCLC-28415

Destined for Greatness Academy

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
02/21/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
07/18/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
01/18/2022	Monitoring Visit	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	1L	Infants and One Year Olds	1	10	C	10	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Free Play, Floor Play
Main	1R		0	0	C	18	C	25	C	
Main	2L		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	2R	GA PreK	2	21	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3L		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	3R		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	4L	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	9	C	10	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	4R		1	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	5L	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	6L		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 136

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 136

Total # Children this Date: 48

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG	36	C
Main	PG B	41	C

Comments

Reminders: Refer to the published communicable disease chart for guidance regarding communicable diseases. In most scenarios, only outbreaks/clusters should be reported to the local health districts.

Please be sure to contact the Gwinnett County Department of Health, if there are outbreaks/clusters of positive COVID-19 cases immediately, and get their guidance. Please be sure to also complete a Required Report in DECAL KOALA for all individual cases of communicable diseases within 24 hours. Be sure to select "Notifiable Communicable Diseases" to report closures for COVID cases.

Please be sure to enter all temporary closures in DECAL KOALA under the Required Report tab whenever your facility is closed temporarily because you are not caring for children for one day or more.

Incident Reports are to be submitted via DECAL KOALA with all signed staff statements for staff and the director.

All amendments are required to be electronically entered in DECAL KOALA effective August 2, 2021.

Please be sure to hide staff who are no longer employed in your DECAL KOALA account. Please reach out for help with this, if needed.

For centers conducting transportation, please remember that the transportation training certificates must be renewed every two years for everyone participating in transportation including the director.

Provided updated orientation checklist.

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.decgal.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), 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.

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 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 at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Vera Anderson, Program Official

Date

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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

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.12(5) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the children were in the classroom with the appropriate tables and chairs. Please be sure to maintain this at all times.

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

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.06(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the fans were observed to be working. Please ensure to check fans regularly and repair as needed.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.19(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the license capacity was observed to be met. Please ensure that the capacity is maintained throughout the building at all times.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that there were no hazards accessible in the classrooms. Please ensure that all hazards are inaccessible to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.25(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the fans were observed to be clean and in good repair. Please ensure that the vents are cleaned regularly throughout the building.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.26(8) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that there was adequate resilient surface observed. Please ensure that the mulch is rebluffed and redistributed daily to ensure that there is adequate resilient surface in the fall zone areas at all times.

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.26(9) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that there were no hoses accessible on the and the black material was covered. Please ensure that the playground checklist is used to ensure that there are no hazards to include the black material not being covered on the playground.

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.18(5) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the thermostat has been replaced. Please ensure to check the thermostat to ensure that they are working at all times.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.10(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the fan was observed to be working. Please ensure to check the fans to ensure that they are working at all times.

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

Met

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

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2022

Corrected on 2/21/2023

.36(4)(b) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the seats were covered with tape. Please ensure that the seats remain in good repair at all times.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)3 - Please ensure that during naptime, all children have both a sheet and a blanket at all times.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2023

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

-Please ensure that applicants/staff are listing exact dates (including month/day/year) on 10-year work history form in order to determine any breaks in service from the childcare industry.

-Please ensure that all staff, volunteers, independent contractors, substitutes etc...has their records check electronically ported to the center's list in KOALA before being present at the facility.

-Please ensure that records checks are redone if there is a six-month break in service.

-Please also ensure that satisfactory records checks are updated before the expiration date.

-Ensure that all therapists and other independent contractors have an updated records check on file, before being present at the center.

-Please ensure that staff with a national background check is always present with a staff who has a comprehensive background check. Staff should never be by themselves.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date. Discussed revision to the supervision rule which states: Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger.
