



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/15/2023 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation/Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:20 AM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

CCLC-988

Kids 'R Kids #20

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Quality Rated: ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
03/15/2023	Incident Investigation/Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/04/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/05/2022	Incident Investigation 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	A-1L	Infants	1	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding,Floor Play,Free Play,Diapering
Main	B-2L	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-3L	One Year Olds	1	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D-Dining	Four Year Olds	2	17	C	24	C	33	C	Lunch
Main	E-Middle	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	27	C	38	C	Transitioning,Outside
Main	F-Pre-K Left Side (gym)	GA PreK	2	19	C	32	C	NA	NA	Field Trip
Main	G-Pre-K right side (gym)	GA PreK	2	19	C	20	C	NA	NA	Field Trip
Main	H-1R	One Year Olds	2	7	C	22	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Transitioning
Main	I-2R	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Music,Transitioning,Circle Time
Main	J-3R	Three Year Olds	2	10	C	22	C	NA	NA	Music,Circle Time
Main	K-4R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	16	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Lunch

Main	L-5R	GA PreK	2	21	C	22	C	NA	NA	Field Trip
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Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 260

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 280

Total # Children this Date: 155

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A-left front	64	C
Main	Playground B- Left Back	104	C
Main	Playground C-Right Back	26	C
Main	Playground D-Right Front	44	C

Comments

The purpose of the visit was to complete an incident investigation and licensing study visit and to follow-up on the previous visit conducted on May 4, 2022.

The consultant was unable to leave the director with a copy of the official visit report due to technical difficulties. The consultant will email the director an official copy of the center's visit report upon the technical issue being resolved.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/15/2023

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), 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!

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that parents update the following information in the children's files as needed:

- Parents' contact information (work and personal).
- Release to person's name and address.
- Emergency contact person's name and contact number.
- Doctor's name and contact number.
- Medical and/or special accommodations.

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 observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

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

Technical Assistance

Please monitor the restroom vents for normal wear and tear (i.e., protective light coverings for cracks, dust build up, etc.).

Finding

591-1-1-.25(17) requires that the Center premises be free of plants and shrubs which are poisonous or hazardous. It was determined based on observation that thorny leaves and vines were observed protruding through the fence behind the tricycle trail located on the back-left side of playground B-Left Back and back fence located on playground A-Left Front. The thorny leaves and vines were observed to be accessible to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The harmful item will be removed. The center will ensure to trim back the thorny bushes and vines to prevent children from accessing the leaves and vines and prevent any potential tripping hazards.

Correction Deadline: 3/15/2023

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazardous items:

- Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e., bees, ants, etc.).
- Standing water in and around playground equipment.
- Normal wear and tear of toys and equipment.
- Loose and/or weak tree branches.
- Normal wear and tear of the fence.
- Repluff resilient surface as needed.

Correction Deadline: 5/14/2022**Corrected on 3/15/2023**

The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The consultant observed the playground equipment to be clean and in good repair.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be 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. It was determined based on observation that the following hazardous items were observed on playground D-Right Front:

- Exposed black tarp and tree roots were observed on the front-right side across from the green and yellow bucket swings creating a potential tripping hazard.
- A pile of black droppings was observed on the ground next to the back horizontal slide attached to the green, yellow, and brown sliding structure on the back-left side of the playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards. The center will ensure to cover the exposed black tarp, paint the exposed tree roots a bright color, and remove the black droppings from the playground area. The center will continue to monitor the playground areas for any potentially hazardous items.

Correction Deadline: 3/15/2023

Food Service

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

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed updating the center's emergency preparedness plan as needed.

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting **Met**

Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **N/A**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

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

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

The center was observed to have evidence of a current vehicle inspection report for the following vehicles:

- Vehicle tag #DQM172 – Expires December 20, 2023.
- Vehicle vin #1BAABCSA6PP053244 – Expires December 20, 2023.
- Vehicle vin #1BAADCSH3XF080357 – Expires December 20, 2023.

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2022

Corrected on 3/15/2023

The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The consultant observed the center vehicles to be clean and in good repair.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Comment

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.

Staff Records

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

The director provided 16 files for staff members hired since the previous visit was completed on May 4, 2022. The consultant observed 16 of 16 newly hired staff members to have evidence of a current comprehensive determination letter on file.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles.

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.

Correction Deadline: 6/3/2022

Corrected on 3/15/2023

The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The previously cited staff member was no longer employed with the center. Please ensure that all newly hired staff members complete the required health and safety orientation training within the first 90-days of their date of hire.

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Technical Assistance

The director submitted updated CDA credentials to the CDA council, but as of March 15, 2023, the director has not received an updated copy of their credential. The consultant requested that the consultant maintain all copies of email communications submitted to the CDA council regarding follow-up of obtaining a copy of their current CDA credential.

Staffing and Supervision

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.