



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 11/28/2023 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 1:05 PM **Departure:** 2:25 PM

CCLC-53726

KinderCare Learning Center (Buford 086016)

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Quality Rated: No

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.
11/28/2023	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
08/25/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/28/2023	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: 1R (6wks- 12mth)	Infants	1	3	C	14	C	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding
Main	B: 2R (2 yrs)	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C: 3R-Two-Year-Old Room		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	D: 4R	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E: 5R (Preschool 1)		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	F: 6R Pre-K	GA PreK	1	17	C	32	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G: 5L (Pre-K)	GA PreK	2	16	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	H: 4L (School Aged)	Three Year Olds	1	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	J: 2L (After School)		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	K: 1L (1's)	One Year Olds	1	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 193

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 82

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 193

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A - LF (6 wks- 24 mths)	18	C
Main	PG B - LB/B (2 yr- 12 yr)	101	C

Comments

11-28-2023: The purpose of the visit was to conduct an incident investigation and to follow up on the previous visit.

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), 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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Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/25/2023

Corrected on 11/28/2023

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the center to keep hazardous items and safe storages on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/25/2023

Corrected on 11/28/2023

.26(9) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the center to be free of hazardous on this date.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.14(3) requires the Center to have a first aid kit in each building of the Center and in any vehicle used by the Center for transportation of children, that contains scissors, tweezers, gauze pads, adhesive tape, thermometer, band-aids, assorted sizes, antibacterial ointment, insect-sting preparation, an antiseptic cleansing solution, triangular bandages, rubber gloves, protective eye wear, a protective face mask, and a cold pack. The first aid kit, together with a first aid instruction manual which must be kept with the kit at all times, shall be stored so that it is not accessible to children but is easily accessible to Staff. It was determined based on an observation that four items were missing from the first aid kit:

- Tweezers
- Scissors
- Protective Eye Wear
- Antibacterial Ointment

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center Staff will provide any missing first aid kits, add any missing items to each first aid kit and will develop and use a plan for checking the kits and replacing missing items in each kit in the future. First aid kits and instruction manuals will be stored so that they kits are not accessible to children but are easily accessible to Center Staff.

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2023

Recited on 11/28/2023