



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/23/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:15 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

CCLC-35603

Childcare Network #221

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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.
04/23/2024	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
04/10/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/03/2024	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 Building	Gym Front Right		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main Building	Gym Left PreK B		0	0	C	33	C	NA	NA	
Main Building	Gym Right Back	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	11	C	20	C	NA	NA	Music
Main Building	Left Back	One Year Olds	1	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main Building	Left Front	Infants	1	5	C	11	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main Building	Left Middle		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main Building	Right Back PreK A	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	13	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Building	Right Front	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	16	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 53			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building	Big Playground	81	C
Main Building	Infant Playground	8	C
Main Building	Toddler Playground	11	C

Comments

An in person complaint follow-up was conducted with the assistant director on April 23, 2024.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/23/2024

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!

Naquesia Sloan, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based on observation that the two year old classroom had a large black fan that was located on top of the cubby shelf and it was not secured to prevent a tipping hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the identified equipment or furniture and any other such existing or future items are secured adequately and will have a system for checking these for stability.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2024

Recited on 4/23/2024

Facility

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

Defer

Defer

Previous citation will be deferred until the next regulatory visit. The assistant director stated that a work order was submitted for additional mulch.

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: 4/20/2024

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2024

Corrected on 4/23/2024

Previous citation corrected. There were no large screws or hazards located on the playground on this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2024

Corrected on 4/23/2024

Previous citation. The bus 0603 is currently in the shop awaiting repair. The bus was not at the center on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2024

Corrected on 4/23/2024

Previous citation corrected. Proper supervision was observed on this date.