



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/23/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 12:30 PM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

CCLC-46519

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

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.
09/23/2024	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
09/17/2024	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
03/13/2024	Complaint 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 - 104	Infants	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap, Lunch, Free Play
Main	B - 106	One Year Olds	2	9	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C - 108	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D - 110	Three Year Olds	3	10	C	25	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E - 120	Infants	2	5	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	F - 119	One Year Olds	1	6	C	35	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G - 117	Two Year Olds	2	7	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	H - 115	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	13	C	28	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	I - 228	Infants	2	2	C	16	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	J - 226	One Year Olds	2	8	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	K - 222	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	L - 220	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	14	C	31	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	M - 216	Four Year Olds	1	12	C	38	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	N - 213	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	17	C	34	C	NA	NA	Nap

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 350

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 126

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 350

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - Up left	17	C
Main	B - Up back	70	C
Main	C - Downstairs Rt	22	C
Main	D - Down Splash Pad	19	C
Main	E - Nature Walk	9	C
Main	F - Down Garden	15	C
Main	G - Downstairs Back	31	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to follow up on any citations from the visit conducted on September 17, 2024.

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 user id 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 Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2024

Corrected on 9/23/2024

.12(4) - Previous citation corrected. The AERA Max machines have been removed from classrooms H, J, and K.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2024

Corrected on 9/23/2024

.17(7) - Previous citation corrected. Staff in classroom F stated proper handwashing procedures.

Staff Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2024

Corrected on 9/23/2024

.09(1)(a) - Previous citation corrected. Staff members 35 and 47 are no longer employed at the center.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2024

Corrected on 9/23/2024

.09(1)(c) - Previous citation corrected. Staff member 35 and 47 are no longer employed at the center.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2024

Corrected on 9/23/2024

.09(1)(j) - Previous citation corrected. Staff members 7, 29, and number 34 are no longer employed at the center. Staff members number 18, 36, and 46 CBC's have been ported over to the center's CCLC number.

Staffing and Supervision

Correction Deadline: 9/17/2024

Corrected on 9/23/2024

.32(7) - Previous citation corrected. Allegation investigated by Regional Consultant. Allegation was substantiated.