



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/8/2024 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 11:50 AM Departure: 6:15 PM

CCLC-974

Kids 'R' Kids #8

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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.
02/08/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/15/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/27/2023	Monitoring Visit	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	1st Left	Infants	2	6	C	25	C	NA	NA	Nap, Diapering, Floor Play
Main	1st Right	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	16	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2nd Left	One Year Olds	2	11	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2nd Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3rd Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	17	C	23	C	32	C	Nap
Main	4th Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Back Right		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	Cafeteria		0	0	C	26	C	36	C	
Main	Gym/back	GA PreK	2	16	C	25	C	35	C	Nap, Story
Main	Gym-Front	GA PreK	2	13	C	24	C	NA	NA	Story, Nap
Main	Middle Rear (Behind Cafeteria)	GA PreK	2	19	C	22	C	31	C	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 252			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 290							
Total # Children this Date: 118			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 252			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 290				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- Front Left Playground	0	C
Main	PG- Front Right Playground	0	C
Main	PG- Rear Playground	0	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a licensing study and to follow up from the previous visit conducted on September 15, 2023.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/08/2024

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.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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!

Shirley Holcomb, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

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

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.06 - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that exhaust vents are cleaned regularly.

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

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)	Not Met
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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 a termite bait station was cracked and the bait container exposed on the Front Right 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.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition	Not Met
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Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

Finding

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined based on observation that two of six infants bottles were not labeled with the child's full name.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to follow the required procedures, ensure that parents are fully informed, and will review and monitor regularly.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations	Technical Assistance
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Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.18(8) - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that food is not stored on the floor.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health	Technical Assistance
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Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.07(5) - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that children do not wear pacifiers or other hazardous items around their necks or attached to their clothing .

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

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

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2023

Corrected on 2/8/2024

.10(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed correct diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Comment

Consultant observed proper hand washing by children throughout the center.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.17(8) - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that staff wash their hands before changing a child's diaper.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) **Not Evaluated**

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures **Met**

Comment

Observed complete emergency preparedness plan.

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices **Met**

Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **Not Evaluated**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

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

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) **Not Evaluated**

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Not Met****Comment**

Director provided eighteen files for employees hired since last visit September 15, 2023..

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(j) requires that for portability for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training, only the most recently issued determination letter is eligible for portability and must be ported electronically. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. It was determined based on review of records that the center did not submit a portability request for staff #28s, date of hire January 16, 2024, satisfactory comprehensive determination letter. Staff member #28 was observed to have a satisfactory comprehensive determination letter dated for December 6, 2023. The consultant observed staff member #28 working on the Rear Playground. The center director ported staff member #28's letter during the visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will ensure that only the most recently issued determination letter is electronically ported for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.14 - Please replace/add missing items in first aid kits.

Comment

Consultant observed 100 percent of staff hired more than 90 days to have evidence of current certification in first aid/CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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.