



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/29/2024 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation/Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 12:00 PM **Departure:** 5:50 PM

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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.
04/29/2024	Incident Investigation/Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/25/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
09/11/2023	ILS with PTO	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	1L-Older Ones	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	7	C	8	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	1R-Infant	Infants	1	4	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Nap
Main	2L-Two Year old	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2R-Infant	One Year Olds	1	4	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3L-Older Two Year old	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3R-Younger 1	One Year Olds	1	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	4L-Pr-K 1 (Annex)	Four Year Olds	1	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	4R-Three and Four	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	5L-GA Pre-K (Annex)		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	5R-Three and Four Year Old	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	6R-Pre-K (2)m (Annex)		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	7R-Pre-K (3) (Annex)		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 169					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 67					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	L1-Playground	5	C
Main	L2-Playground	14	C
Main	R1-Playground	11	C
Main	R2-Playground	18	C
Main	Rear Playground	30	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and to follow up from the previous visit conducted on September 11, 2023.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/29/2024

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.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 Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(2) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that the fraying sofa cushions are removed from classroom 6R and the hinges are repaired on the cabinet in housekeeping in classroom 5L.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2024

Correction Deadline: 8/9/2023

Corrected on 4/29/2024

.12(5) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed appropriate sized chairs for each student throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/10/2023

Corrected on 4/29/2024

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed no hazards present in the classrooms. Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that staff do not bring open soda cans into the classrooms.

Correction Deadline: 7/10/2023

Corrected on 4/29/2024

.25(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed the center to be in good repair.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that there was a gap measuring approximately five inches under the gate on the left side of Rear Playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2024

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.20(1) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that medication forms include specific dates for medication to be administered.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2024

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Not Met

Comment

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

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based on review of records that the same person conducted the first and second check of the vehicle during a field trip to Snow Island On December 27, 2023. Second checks of the vehicle must be conducted by a second staff person.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2024

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated knowledge of infant safe-sleep practices.

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided twelve files for employees hired since July 10, 2023.

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 Supervision(CR)

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2023

Corrected on 4/29/2024

.03(9) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed children engaged in age-appropriate activities.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2023

Corrected on 4/29/2024

.32(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed proper ratios throughout the center.