



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/2/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 8:45 AM **Departure:** 2:45 PM

CCLC-17663

Meadowdale Learning Center - Moody Road

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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.
10/02/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
09/21/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/14/2023	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	1st Left	Two Year Olds	1	6	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	1st Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	2nd Left	Four Year Olds	1	17	C	34	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	2nd Right	Infants	1	3	C	11	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play
Main	4th Left		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	Back Middle	Four Year Olds	2	16	C	25	C	34	C	Outside
Main	Front Middle	Three Year Olds	1	8	C	32	C	45	C	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 140					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 162					
Total # Children this Date: 58					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 162					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back/Right Playground	162	C
Main	Left side playground	23	C
Main	Right Front Playground	28	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and a follow-up visit.

Transportation records were available for the consultant to view on this date.

An exit conference discussing the follow up report was conducted with the director on this date. Consultant emailed a signed copy of the follow-up visit report to the director on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/02/2023

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!

Barbara Sears, Program Official

Date

Charlene Story, Regional Consultant

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(Findings Report)

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

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. At previous visit on September 21, 2023, consultant discussed that wood chips were to be fluffed and spread over fall zones around the swings and climbing equipment on the back playground. On this date, consultant observed that wood chips had not been spread over the fall zones to ensure resilient surface to be adequate when being used by the children.

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: 10/12/2023

Safety

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/22/2023

Corrected on 10/2/2023

.36(7)(c)2. - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed children to have a mark when loading and unloading the bus when being transported to and from school.

Correction Deadline: 9/22/2023

Corrected on 10/2/2023

.36(7)(c)3. - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All times were listed on the transportation checklist when departing the facility, arriving at the school and returning to the facility.

