



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/15/2024 VisitType: Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:30 AM

Departure: 1:40 PM

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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.
02/15/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/23/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/24/2023	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	A-1st Left	Infants	1	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Feeding
Main	B-2nd Left	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	21	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	C-1st Right	One Year Olds	1	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	D-2nd Right	Three Year Olds	1	10	C	17	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	E-Second Floor	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	15	C	26	C	NA	NA	Homework
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 78					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Playground Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 43			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 78		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd-A	24	C
Main	Plgd-B	88	C

Comments

Licensing study was completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/15/2024

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/RuleAndRegulations.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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Tameka Taylor, Program Official

Date

April Brown, Regional Consultant

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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

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

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained and completed on this date.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized on this date.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by the center on this date.

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

Center appears clean and well maintained on this date.

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

Please ensure Playground B is free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots, exposed concrete and uneven turf.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The director reported that the uneven grass areas and surrounding the white PVC pipes on Playground B would be repaired by COB: Tuesday, February 20, 2024. Pictures will be submitted to the Department. Due to rain, the director reported the repairs were scheduled to begin on February 17, 2024.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2024

	Food Service
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591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition	Met
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Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines on this date.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations	Met
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Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized on this date.

	Health and Hygiene
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591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
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Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)	N/A
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Comment

The center currently does not dispense or administer medication at this time.

	Policies and Procedures
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591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures	Technical Assistance
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Technical Assistance

Please ensure that the Center conduct drills for fire, tornado and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Center shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years.

Correction Deadline: 2/20/2024

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting	Met
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Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety**591-1-1-.05 Animals** N/A**Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises on this date.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) N/A**Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) N/A**Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with the infant staff member on this date.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure crib mattresses are firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least 2 inches thick and covered with a waterproof, washable material as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The director ordered seven new crib mattresses to ensure that the mattresses were waterproof and non-porous.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2024

Staff Records**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** Met**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since the last visit which was completed on August 23, 2023.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met**Comment**

Complete first aid kits observed in center on this date.

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR on this date.

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

Documentation observed of required annual staff training for 2023 on this date.

Comment

Discussed: Health and Safety Training is required for each staff member with direct care responsibilities within 90 calendar days of their hire date.

Comment

Consultant discussed with the director to ensure within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. Nutrition training was completed by the director and cook; however, documentation could not be determined. The director and cook will complete the four hour nutrition training and submit to the Department by COB: February 29, 2024.

Correction Deadline: 3/16/2024

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Met****Comment**

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.