



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/7/2022 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation/Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:30 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-35598

Childcare Network #216

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
02/07/2022	Incident Investigation/Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/15/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/22/2021	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	Room A(6 wks-12 mos.)		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room B(12 mos-24 mos)		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room C (2 yrs.)	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	29	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Room D (3-4 yrs)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	16	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room E (Extended Day Pre-K)	GA PreK	2	15	C	17	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	Room F (After School)		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room G (PreK-A)		0	0	C	30	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room H (PreK-B)	GA PreK	2	10	C	33	C	NA	NA	Story
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 167						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 55			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 167			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @25 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground 3 & Up	19	C
Main	Playground Infant	9	C
Main	Playground Toddler	10	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on February 07, 2022 with the Director.

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.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



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.state.ga.us/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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)

Nichole McClellan, Program Official	Date
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Sondra Paster, Consultant	Date
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Debrik Perry, Consultant	Date
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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) Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed 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 routinely met by center.

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

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) Not Met

Comment

591-1-1-.26 - The Consultant advised the Director to fluff and redistribute the mulch surrounding the jungle gym in the far back.

Technical Assistance

The Consultant advised the Director to ensure that the gates are four feet or higher. It was determined based on observation, that the gate on far right side of the three years and older playground measured to be three feet and eight inches.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2022

Technical Assistance

The Consultant advised the Director to leave the exit gates unlocked, at all times. Based on observation, it was determined that the gate on the far right of the three years old playground was padlocked.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the jungle gym located in the far back had wood surrounding the cvc piping. The wood had sharp edges and the left side of the yellow wood border had nails protruding.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2022

Finding

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Correction Deadline: 2/17/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Comment

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

Comment

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

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director to remind the teachers in Room G to create a list of the children's names to match the sleeping cots.

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.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 23**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 12/27/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 03/24/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/19/2021	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/13/2003	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/13/2003	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 11/23/2020	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 07/20/2020	
Staff # 11	Met

Records Reviewed: 23**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 09/20/2021

Staff # 12 Met

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 05/10/2021

Staff # 14 Met

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 01/12/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 16 Met

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 01/10/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 02/18/1993

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 07/19/2021

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 07/12/2021

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 07/06/2021

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 08/25/2020

Staff # 23 Met

Date of Hire: 07/07/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided files for two employees hired since last visit on December 15, 2021.

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
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Comment
Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)	Met
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Comment
Adequate supervision observed on this date.