



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/8/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 8:50 AM **Departure:** 12:30 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.
01/08/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/12/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/03/2023	TA Follow Up	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	A1-1st Right	Infants and One Year Olds	2	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	A2-2nd Right	Two Year Olds	2	20	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	A3-3rd Right		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	A4-4th Right		0	0	C	15	C	21	C	
Main	A5-5th Right		0	0	C	30	C	42	C	
Main	A6-5th Left		0	0	C	25	C	35	C	
Main	B1-1st Left		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA	
Main	B2-2nd Left	Infants	2	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B3-3rd Left	One Year Olds	2	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B4-4th Left	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	27	C	Centers
Main	B5-6th Right	Four Year Olds	1	18	C	25	C	35	C	Centers
Main	B6-6th Left		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 219

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 220

Total # Children this Date: 78

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Building @25 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd-A1	12	C
Main	Plgd-A2	128	C
Main	Plgd-B1	14	C
Main	Plgd-B2	96	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement developed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/08/2024

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.decgal.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@decgal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Andrea Bishop, 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-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

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Please ensure that lesson plans are printed and posted for each classroom.

Correction Deadline: 1/8/2024

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)

Not Evaluated

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2023

Corrected on 1/8/2024

.25(13) - Citation corrected. Consultant discussed that items need to be inaccessible to children in care. In a room not in use a mop and bucket were accessible.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

591-1-1.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed that infant feeding plans need to include parents initials and the statement for solid foods.

Correction Deadline: 1/8/2024

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed that items not in the original container need to be labeled. Consultant observed frozen items not labeled.

Correction Deadline: 1/8/2024

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

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2023

Corrected on 1/8/2024

.20(3) - Citation corrected as the provider stated that no medication had been dispensed since the last regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 9/12/2023

Corrected on 1/8/2024

.20(4) - Citation observed to be corrected.

Safety

591-1-1.05 Animals

Not Evaluated

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed that buses can no longer have tape on the seats so all bus seats will need repaired.

Correction Deadline: 1/13/2024

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Not Met****Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed that even with Plexiglas the cribs need the adequate spacing.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2)(c) requires that infants shall not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the Center asleep or fall asleep in such equipment, on the floor or elsewhere, shall be transferred to a safety-approved crib. It was determined based on observation that an infant was sleeping in a swing in the 2nd Left Classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will only place infants in safe cribs to sleep and will transfer them to a safe crib when the infants are asleep in other equipment.

Correction Deadline: 1/8/2024

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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.

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.