



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/18/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 2:15 PM

CCLC-46907

The Success Learning Academy (Flat Shoals)

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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.
01/18/2024	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/15/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
08/15/2023	Complaint Closure	Support	

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Building 2 (Back)	A - 1L		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Building 2 (Back)	B - 2L	GA PreK	2	11	C	29	C	NA	NA	Centers
Building 2 (Back)	C - 3L	One Year Olds	1	8	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Free Play
Building 2 (Back)	D - 4R	One Year Olds	1	7	C	16	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Free Play
Building 2 (Back)	E - 3R		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Building 2 (Back)	F - 2R	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	14	NC	NA	NA	Circle Time, Centers
Building 2 (Back)	G - 1R	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 111

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 51

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building 2 (Back)	A - Front	139	C
Building 2 (Back)	B - Back	58	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a Licensing Study and follow up on the previous visit.

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.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.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 Licensing Study Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed a variety of equipment and toys were throughout the center.

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

N/A

Comment

Consultant observed center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation classroom F had a licensed capacity of 14 and was observed to have 15 three-year-old children present.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2024

Recited on 1/18/2024

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - Consultant observed vent not to be working in classroom B-2L.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2024

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 resilience. It was determined based on observation under the climber on the preschool playground and swing, the resilient surface measured 2 inches and not the required 6 inches.

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 resilience.

Correction Deadline: 1/28/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that small pieces of glass were located near the stairs going up to classroom 4R.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2024

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

Consultant observed center menu to meet USDA guidelines.

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

Consultant observed kitchen to be clean and well organized.

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

Consultant discussed with staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation that warm water was not available for use in classrooms C-3L, D-4R and G-1R.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on required hand washing for children and Staff will ensure children's hands are washed when required. The Director will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 1/18/2024

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**

Consultant observed staff to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Consultant observed infants to not be in cribs and a pleasant environment

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

Please add goggles in first aid kit(s) on the transportation vehicle.

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**

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

Corrected on 1/18/2024

.32(1) - Consultant observed staff child ratio to be corrected.

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

Consultant observed staff to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Visit:

Safety

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

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2023

Corrected on 1/18/2024

.36(4)(c) - Consultant observed the vehicle used for transportation had a fire extinguisher as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

Corrected on 1/18/2024

.36(7)(b) - Consultant observed center to have medical emergency forms for each that is transported as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

Corrected on 1/18/2024

.36(7)(c)2. - Consultant observed center to have corrected the transportation forms.