



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/20/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:35 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-53529

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>		
08/20/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/19/2024	LS POI Follow Up	Good Standing
02/20/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	Deficient

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.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Bldg I	A (1L) - 6wks- 12 mnths	Infants	3	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Bldg I	B- (2L) 3's & 4's	Four Year Olds	2	18	C	24	C	NA	NA	Outside
Bldg I	C- (3L) GA Pre-K	GA PreK	2	20	C	26	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Bldg I	D- (4L) GA Pre-K	GA PreK	2	19	C	28	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Bldg I	E- Gym/ 5-12 yrs		0	0	C	50	C	NA	NA	
Bldg I	F- 3 - 12 year	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside
Bldg I	G- 3-12 years	Two Year Olds	2	18	C	19	C	NA	NA	Music
Bldg I	H- (3R) 1 yr	One Year Olds	3	12	C	14	C	NA	NA	Music
Bldg I	I- (2R) 2 yrs	Four Year Olds	2	20	C	26	C	NA	NA	Outside
Bldg I	J- (1R) 1 yr old	One Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Floor Play,Free Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 195

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations

Total # Children this Date: 139

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 195

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Bldg I	Playground A- 6wks- 2 yrs	37	C
Bldg I	Playground B - 3 - 12 yrs	74	C
Bldg I	Playground C - 3 - 12 yrs	41	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
13	28	40	26	26	40	49

Comments

A licensing study visit was completed on this date.

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



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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

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

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-.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

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained on this date. Consultant discussed with the director to monitor minor spots of chipped paint on the walls in some of the classrooms. The director reported that maintenance would paint the spots and pictures will be submitted to the Department by COB: September 30, 2024.

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

Met

Comment

Playgrounds observed to be clean and in good repair on this date. Consultant verified the rocks that were located on Playground C were age appropriate for two-year-olds and older.

Correction Deadline: 2/22/2024

Corrected on 8/20/2024

Correction of citation in that all swings were removed from the playground. All play equipment was free of hazards on this date.

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines on this date.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed on this date.

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands on this date.

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

N/A

Comment

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

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

Comment

Program observed to have completed emergency drills on this date.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

N/A

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date.

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

A current and completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children on this date. Vehicle with tag numbers ending in M6700 and R1232 was completed on June 14, 2024. Vehicle with tag number ending in L1541 was completed on June 24, 2024. Vehicle with tag number with M6701 was completed on July 17, 2024. The director reported that vehicle with tag number ending in M6700 was not in use at this time.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The vehicles had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

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

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 four file(s) for employees hired since the last visit which was completed on March 19, 2024.

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

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Met****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 on this date.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.