



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/2/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring **Arrival:** 9:15 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM
Visit

CCLC-60839

The School House Academy Pt 2

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Same

Quality Rated: No

<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.
04/02/2024	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
07/27/2023	Initial Licensing Study	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 Building	A - 1st Right	Infants	1	3	C	6	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main Building	B - 2nd Right	Infants	0	1	NC	5	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main Building	C - 3rd Right	One Year Olds	2	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Floor Play
Main Building	D - Center	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	3	19	C	21	C	29	C	Centers
Main Building	E - 3rd Left		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main Building	F - 2nd Left		0	0	C	6	C	8	C	Not In Use
Main Building	G - 1st Left		0	0	C	5	C	7	C	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 64					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 76					
Total # Children this Date: 30					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 76					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building	Playground	34	C

Comments

The purpose of this was to conduct a Monitoring Visit 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!

Jakenna Echols, Program Official	Date
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Princess Walton, CCS Coordinator	Date
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Marlene Emelle, Regional 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

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2023

Corrected on 4/2/2024

.12(8) - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed toys age appropriate for the children.

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)

Met

Comment

Consultant observed licensed capacity to be routinely met by center.

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Not Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26 - Consultant discussed with provider maintenance to add mulch to large playground.

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 there were ants crawling on the ground and on the equipment of the toddler playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will remove any insects on the playground.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Consultant discussed with staff proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Consultant observed proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Comment

Consultant observed 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.

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

Comment

Consultant reviewed documentation that center provided of a third party for transportation. Center does not provide transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Consultant observed discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with staff.

Staff Records

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

Comment

Consultant reviewed criminal record checks to be complete.

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

Comment

Consultant 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

Comment

Consultant observed center to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

Consultant discussed with staff adequate supervision on this date.