



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/17/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 3:40 PM
Visit

CCLC-47181
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Quality Rated: No

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.
04/17/2024	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/29/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/13/2023	Complaint Closure	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	A - Afterschool	Six Year Olds and Over	1	12	C	16	C	23	C	Transitioning
main	B - infants - 1's	Infants	1	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
main	C - 3 years old		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
main	D - 2 year olds	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	8	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Nap
main	F - 3's and 4's		0	0	C	9	C	13	C	Not In Use
main	G - 4's and up	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	7	C	7	C	10	C	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 58					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 72					
Total # Children this Date: 32					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 72					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
main	A- infants - 2 years	16	C
main	B - 3's and up	47	C

Comments

Plan developed on this date/

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/17/2024

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.dec.al.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!

Erika Pace, Program Official

Date

Nadia Bernard, Regional Consultant

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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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1.12(6) requires that a variety of age-appropriate toys and play materials be available, stored on low, open shelves accessible to children in each room or assigned area. It was determined based on observation that in the afterschool classroom there was not a variety of age-appropriate toys.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center director will ensure there is a variety of age-appropriate toys and play materials in each room for each age group. that are stored on low, open shelves accessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 4/30/2024

Recited on 4/17/2024

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that on Playground B there was a five inch gap at the bottom of the rear entrance gate causing an entrapment hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2024**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 resiliency. It was determined based on observation that Playground A had one inch of resilient surface around fall zones around the swings when a six inches of resilient surface was required. Additionally, Playground B was observed to have two inches of resilient surface around the large climber and swing set. Six inches of resilient surface was required for equipment five feet or greater.

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 resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2024

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023****Corrected on 4/17/2024**

.15(5) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed a current and up to date menu.

Health and Hygiene

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

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023****Corrected on 4/17/2024**

.17(7) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed appropriate handwashing on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023**Corrected on 4/17/2024**

.17(8) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed appropriate staff handwashing.

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.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Not Met**

Correction Deadline: 9/30/2023

Corrected on 4/17/2024

.36(7)(b) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed complete documentation.

Correction Deadline: 9/30/2023

Corrected on 4/17/2024

.36(7)(d)1. - Citation observed to be corrected on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based on a review of documents that the second check was incomplete for the following dates and schools: April 12, 2024 from Hawthorne Elementary, April 11, 2024 from Hope Christian Academy, and April 11, 2024 from Brown Elementary.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2024

Recited on 4/17/2024

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on staff statement that infant crib sheets are changed weekly on Fridays.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2024

Staff Records

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

Director provided five files for employees hired since last visit on September 29, 2024.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records	Met
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Correction Deadline: 10/4/2023

Corrected on 4/17/2024

.24(1) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed complete personnel files on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training	Met
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Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023

Corrected on 4/17/2024

.33(1) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed complete center orientation forms.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023

Corrected on 4/17/2024

.31(2)(b)3.(i) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed the lead teachers credentials and Professional Learning Plans.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023

Corrected on 4/17/2024

.32(4)(a) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed children in their appropriate classrooms.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023

Corrected on 4/17/2024

.32(7) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed adequate supervision on this date.