



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/8/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:05 AM **Departure:** 1:40 PM

CCLC-58172

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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.
02/08/2024	Licensing Study	Support	
12/05/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
11/30/2023	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
BUILDIN G II	H	GA PreK	2	10	C	40	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 40			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	A		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	B	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	D		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	E	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	31	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	F	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	G		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 126			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 34			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 166							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	108	C
Main	B	28	C
Main	C	24	C
Main	D	3	C

Comments

A Licensing Study was conducted on February 8, 2024. Backgrounds checks were reviewed. The Consultant completed the exit conference, and a copy of the visit report was given to the Director.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 02/22/2024

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!



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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1.12 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)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Child # 4

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Special Care Procedures,.08(1)(a)-Work Address Missing

Child # 5

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing

Finding

591-1-1-.08(1) requires the Center Staff to maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. In order for the file to be complete, the file shall contain the following: child's name, birth date, sex, address, living arrangement, name of school if applicable; names of both Parents, home and work addresses, and home and work telephone numbers; name(s) and addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information; name(s) and telephone number(s) of person(s) to contact in emergencies when the Parent cannot be reached; name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care; and a statement regarding known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, intellectual disabilities or developmental disabilities which limit the child's participation in the program. It was determined based on a review of records one child's enrollment application was not updated to include the complete information of the release to person, including the address and relationship of the child.

Correction Deadline: 2/9/2024

Recited on 2/8/2024

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2023

Corrected on 2/8/2024

Previous citation corrected in that based on observation the sign in and out sheets had the child's daily arrival and departure times as required.

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2023

Corrected on 2/8/2024

.08(7) - Previous citation corrected in that based on statement the center developed and implemented procedures for releasing children.

Evening Care

Comment

No evening care hours provided

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)

Not Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based on observation the traffic patterned area rug in the one-year-old room was not smooth, creating a possible tripping hazard.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2024**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation there were water stains on the ceiling in several places in the three-old-classroom. In addition the ceiling was stained in the boy's and girl's bathroom. There was a plastic covering over one area that was not secure to the ceiling. The white side of one bathroom door was heavily stained. The inner white doors in the school age rooms were also heavily stained.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.25(4) requires the Center to maintain the temperature in the range of 65 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit and to ventilate the Center be ventilated either by mechanical or natural means for the purpose of providing fresh air and controlling unpleasant odors. Facilities which do not have a functioning central heating and air-conditioning system shall make fifty percent (50%) of all required windows operable for ventilation. Any openings used for ventilation shall be screened. It was determined that the center did not maintain a temperature in the range of 65 to 85 degrees in the Pre-K classroom. The thermostat reading registered at 56 degrees. Children and staff were observed wearing their coats.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

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 there was a ten to twelve inch gap in the fencing material on the left side, behind playground B.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation, there was chipping and flaking paint on the red tunnel on playground A.

- There was chipping and flaking paint on two of two race cars and the yellow tunnel on playground B.
- There was chipping paint on the large climbing equipment on the school age playground. In addition, there was excess swing chains on four of four swings on this playground and bolts exposed on deteriorating landscape in between the two trees.
- The green outdoor carpet was rolled back on the infant/toddler playground, creating a possible tripping hazard.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2024

Recited on 2/8/2024

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2023

Corrected on 2/8/2024

.26(8) - Previous citation corrected in that based on observation the fall zones under the yellow slide and climbing equipment had the six inches of resilient surface.

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

Please ensure that bottles are covered and fully labeled with child's full name.

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

Please ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste.

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Met

Comment

Please document N/A or none if no adverse reaction is observed. Please return old medicine to parents or discard.

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-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director.

Met

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Not Met

591-1-1-.09(1)(j) requires that for portability for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training, only the most recently issued determination letter is eligible for portability and must be ported electronically. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. It was determined based on review of records one staff Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter was out of the portability time frame.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

Met

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

Met

Documentation observed of required staff training.

Met

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Met

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Met

Adequate supervision observed on this date.