



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/17/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 3:05 PM **Departure:** 6:15 PM

CCLC-48120

Sportz Center Academy

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Same

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.
10/17/2024	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
08/29/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
08/20/2024	Incident Investigation/Monitoring Visit	Deficient	

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 Left		0	0	C	10	C	14	C	Not In Use
Main	B Middle		0	0	C	15	C	21	C	
Main	C Right		0	0	C	31	C	44	C	
Main	Gym	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	3	33	C	452	C	NA	NA	Supper, Centers, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 150			Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks				
Total # Children this Date: 33			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 150				Building @25 capacity limited by Amount of Equipment Available

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Outside	57	C

Comments

An on-site complaint investigation was conducted on October 17, 2024. Investigative findings were concluded on October 17, 2024. Background checks were all reviewed on October 17, 2024.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/17/2024

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.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.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 user id 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.state.ga.us 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 Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.03(9) - The Consultant discussed with the Director that center staff must refrain from engaging in, or allowing children or other adults to engage in, activities that could be detrimental to a child's health or well-being, such as but not limited to, horse play, rough play, wrestling, and picking up a child in a manner that could cause injury.

Correction Deadline: 10/17/2024

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.19(2) - Citation corrected. The Consultant observed the correct license capacity for each classroom on this date.

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

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.25(12) - Citation corrected. No hazards observed.

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.25(13) - Citation corrected. No hazards observed.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.25(3) - Citation corrected. No hazards observed.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - The Consultant discussed with the Director that the Center and surrounding premises must 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.

Correction Deadline: 10/17/2024

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance**

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.26(4) - Citation corrected. No hazards observed.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(4) - The Consultant discussed with the Director covering the three and a half inch gap at the first gate on the playground.

Correction Deadline: 10/17/2024

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.26(6) - Citation corrected. No hazards observed.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.26(8) - Citation corrected. No hazards observed.

Safety

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

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.11(1) - Citation corrected. The Consultant observed redirection. The Consultant discussed with the Director that disciplinary actions used to correct a child's behavior, guidance techniques and any activities in which the children participate or observe at the Center shall not be detrimental to the physical or mental health of any child.

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

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.36(11) - Citation corrected. The Director stated that the shuttle buses were no longer in use.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.36(4)(b) - Citation corrected. The Consultant discussed with the Director that the interior of a transportation vehicle must be clean, in safe repair and free of hazardous items, objects and/or other non-essential items which could cause injury.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2024

Corrected on 10/17/2024

.36(7)(c)2. - Citation corrected. The Consultant discussed with the Director that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center.

Staffing and Supervision

Finding

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. It was determined based on observation that a child was left in the front office space with the Consultant for three minutes while the Director walked out the front door to speak to a parent.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 10/17/2024

Recited on 10/17/2024