



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/6/2024 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:35 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-37885

Childcare Network #250

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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.
06/06/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
11/15/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
08/10/2023	LS POI Follow Up	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/1L	Infants	2	3	C	11	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	B/2L	Infants and One Year Olds	2	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	C/3L	One Year Olds	2	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	D/4L	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	E/5R	Three Year Olds	3	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	F/4R	Three Year Olds	2	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	G/3R/Pre-K 1	Six Year Olds and Over	2	13	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	H/2R/Pre-K 2	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	8	C	20	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	I/1R		0	0	C	27	C	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 175			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 78		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 175			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- Infant (Front)	10	C
Main	PG- Preschool (Left)	84	C
Main	PG- School Age (Right)	72	C
Main	PG- Twos (Left Front)	68	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/06/2024

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!



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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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(3) - The Consultant and the Director discussed stacking the large building blocks at a lower height in classroom Main G/3R/Pre-K 1 in order to prevent potential falling hazards.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2024

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.06(4) - The Consultant and the Director discussed repairing the ventilation fan in the right children's bathroom in classroom Main E/5R on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/6/2024

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were accessible to children on this date:

Classroom Main E/5

- A spray can of Banana Boat Sport Sunscreen.
- A spray can of Banana Boat Kids Sport Sunscreen.
- A spray can of Oh! Deep Woods Insect Repellent.
- A pack of Huggies Natural Care baby wipes.
- A large bottle of Purell Advanced Hand Sanitizer.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2024

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - The Consultant and the Director discussed placing a light cover over the exposed lighting fixture in the children's bathroom in classroom Main E/5R on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2024

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 that the left middle fencing on playground Main - PG - School Age (Right) had a disconnected post cap and top rail on this date.

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: 7/17/2024

Recited on 6/6/2024

Correction Deadline: 11/15/2023

Corrected on 6/6/2024

.26(6) - Correction of previous citation in that the rubber covering on the back side of the stationary equipment on playground Main PG - School Age (Right) was in good repair on this date.

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 the following playground hazards were observed on this date:

Main PG – Preschool (Left)

- PVC pipe on the preschool playground was missing one out of two end caps causing a potential entrapment hazard.
- Exposed concrete was located at the bottom of the front right fencing posts within the first, second, and fourth sections.
- Exposed concrete was located at the end of the entry and exit pad.
- Exposed wiring was located to the left of the white vinyl fencing.

Main PG – School Age (Right)

- Exposed concrete was located at the end of the entry and exit pad.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2024

Recited on 6/6/2024

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Organization**591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License****Met**

Correction Deadline: 11/22/2023

Corrected on 6/6/2024

.16(g) - Correction of previous citation in that Records Check Applications were up to date, accurate, and completed on this date.

Safety**591-1-1-.05 Animals****Met****Comment**

Animals maintained clean and appropriately caged.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed for vehicles AKR 5381 and PXW 8752. Vehicles DQM 484 and RCX 8203 were out of order and not in use at this time.

Comment

The vehicles AKR 5381 and PXW 8752 had approved fire extinguishers and first aid kits on this date. Vehicles DQM 484 and RCX 8203 were out of order and not in use at this time.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - The Consultant and the Director discussed keeping a large covering over cots stored within classrooms until use at nap time.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2024

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

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2023

Corrected on 6/6/2024

.09(1)(c) - Correction of previous citation in that every Employee had a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file on this date.

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2023

Corrected on 6/6/2024

.09(1)(h) - Correction of previous citation in that every Employee had a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file on this date.

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

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**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.