



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/2/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 1:25 PM

Departure: 3:20 PM

CCLC-24175

Lafayette Christian School Early Learning Center

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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.
08/02/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/26/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
01/18/2022	Complaint Investigation & 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
Bldg. II	1st Right		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Bldg. II	2nd Right	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside, Transitioning
Bldg. II	3rd Right		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 53					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Bldg. IV - ELC	1st Left - A		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Bldg. IV - ELC	1st Right - G	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Art
Bldg. IV - ELC	2nd Left - B	Infants	3	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Nap, Feeding
Bldg. IV - ELC	2nd Right - H		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Bldg. IV - ELC	3rd Left - C	One Year Olds	3	10	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Bldg. IV - ELC	3rd Right - I	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Snack, Transitioning
Bldg. IV - ELC	4th Left - D	One Year Olds	2	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Snack
Bldg. IV - ELC	4th Right - J	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Snack
Bldg. IV - ELC	5th Left - E	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap

Bldg. IV - ELC	5th Right - K	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	10	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Bldg. IV - ELC	6th Left - F	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers, Diapering

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 194

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 97

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 247

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Bldg. IV - ELC	Large	263	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/02/2022

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/Regulations.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



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!

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)

Amanda Jordan, Program Official

Date

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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: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

591-1-1.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

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

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)	Not Met
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Correction Deadline: 2/4/2022

Corrected on 8/2/2022

.26(6) - Correction observed on this date. Tricycles observed had no rust.

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 hazards were observed:

The gazebo's first section had exposed nail points on the 2nd spindle top section.

The gazebo's second section had an exposed screw on the bottom. of the second section.

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. The spindle will be replaced, the wood will be repaired, no nails will be exposed and black mats will be flush with resilient surfacing.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2022

Recited on 8/2/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)	Met
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Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 30****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 10/19/2015

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 09/09/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2021

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 02/26/2018

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 10/25/2021

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 07/29/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 02/02/2021

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 05/23/2018

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 02/01/2019

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 04/25/2022

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 05/07/2014

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 02/15/2016

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 04/25/2017

Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 01/05/2015	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 04/29/2017	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 08/22/2021	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 08/11/2014	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 09/08/2015	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 11/30/2020	
Staff # 20	Met
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 04/07/2015	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 04/11/2022	
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 25	Met
Staff # 26	Met
Date of Hire: 02/12/2022	
Staff # 27	Met
Date of Hire: 04/15/2017	
Staff # 28	Met
Date of Hire: 01/17/2020	
Staff # 29	Met

Records Reviewed: 30

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 01/16/2020

Staff # 30

Met

Date of Hire: 05/28/2017

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 6 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.