



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/17/2024 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 8:40 AM **Departure:** 10:10 AM

CCLC-30205

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Quality Rated: No

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
07/17/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/17/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
07/26/2023	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
Main	1st Left-A	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	1st Right-E	Three Year Olds	2	9	C	15	C	NA	NA	Circle Time,Breakfast
Main	2nd Left-B	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	2nd Right-F	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	4	C	15	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	3rd Left-C	Five Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	3rd Right-G	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	4th Left-D	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	7	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Upstairs 1st Left-H		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	Upstairs 1st Right-M		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	Upstairs 2nd Right-N		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	Upstairs 3rd Left-J		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	Upstairs 3rd Right-O		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	Upstairs 4th Left-K		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	Upstairs 4th Right-P		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Main	Upstairs 5th Left-L		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 46

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd-Large	182	C
Main	Plgd-small	23	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement developed on this date.

An amendment is required for the use of the indoor playground. The amendment will need to be submitted in decal koala by June 24, 2024.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/17/2024

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.decal.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)

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

The center provided water activities under two feet and has parental pre mission on file.

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)

Technical Assistance

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Consultant discussed the in the 2nd Left Classroom yellow paint was observed to be chipping by the window and was in need of repair.

Correction Deadline: 8/16/2024

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed that all hazards must remain inaccessible to children in care in that a staff Bogg bag was accessible in the 3rd Right classroom.

Correction Deadline: 8/16/2024

591-1-1.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Food Service

Finding

591-1-1-.15(1) requires that meals and snacks are served, with serving sizes dependent upon the age of the child, that meet nutritional guidelines as established by the United States Department of Agriculture Child and Adult Care Food Program. Meals and snacks shall be varied daily, and additional servings of nutritious food shall be offered to children over and above the required daily minimum, if not contraindicated by special diets. It was determined based on observation that USDA guidelines were not being met in that in the 1st Right Classroom two children were observed to be having muffins and juice for breakfast.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center Staff will prepare menus and/or serve foods that meet the USDA guidelines and will offer and serve seconds to children.

Correction Deadline: 7/17/2024

Recited on 7/17/2024

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**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****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.

Staff Records

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

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

Correction Deadline: 1/17/2024**Corrected on 7/17/2024****.09(1)(c) - Citation corrected.****Correction Deadline: 1/17/2024****Corrected on 7/17/2024****.09(1)(l)4. - Citation corrected.**

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

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

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)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Due to changing the diapering station in the 4th Left classroom a supervision plan must be submitted by August 19, 2024 to consultant to ensure the supervision is met at all times.

Correction Deadline: 7/17/2024