



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334
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Date: 12/12/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 12:20 PM

Departure: 6:00 PM

CCLC-17559

The Goddard School

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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.
12/12/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/08/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/15/2022	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	A 1RT	Infants	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Floor Play,Feeding
Main	B 2 RT	One Year Olds	1	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C 3RT	One Year Olds	1	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D 4RT	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E 5RT	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	F 6 RT	Three Year Olds	2	14	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G BK MD	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	12	C	24	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Transitioning
Main	H 4LF	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	17	C	24	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Transitioning,Nap
Main	I 3LF	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	22	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Nap
Main	J 2LF	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	12	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap,Transitioning
Main	K 1LF	Six Year Olds and Over	2	12	C	26	C	37	C	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 225			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 225							
Total # Children this Date: 128			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 225							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 225							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground infant/tod	36	C
Main	playground pre-school	116	C
Main	playground school age	34	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct monitoring visit. Staff files and criminal records checks were reviewed.

Reminders:

Please be sure to enter all temporary closures in DECAL KOALA under the Required Report tab whenever your facility is closed temporarily for one day or more.

Incident Reports are to be submitted via DECAL KOALA with all signed staff statements for staff and the director.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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!

Tiffney Coney, Program Official

Date

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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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12 - The Consultant discussed with the director to please ensure the equipment and furniture is properly secured to prevent injuries from tipping or falling.

Comment

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

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25 - The consultant discussed with the director to ensure that all hazardous items and/or equipment (i.e., plastic grocery bags, brooms, diaper wipes, etc.) are stored in a locked cabinet and/or container inaccessible to children at all times.

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Technical Assistance
Technical Assistance 591-1-1.10 - The consultant discussed hand washing requirements for diapering with the infant teachers on this date.	
591-1-1.17 Hygiene(CR)	Technical Assistance
Technical Assistance 591-1-1.17 - The consultant discussed with the director to ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste.	
591-1-1.20 Medications(CR)	Met
Comment Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.	
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 Field trip documentation observed to be complete.	
591-1-1.36 Transportation(CR)	Met
Comment Complete documentation of transportation observed.	
Sleeping & Resting Equipment	
591-1-1.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)	Met
Comment Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.	
Comment Pleasant naptime environment observed.	
Staff Records	
591-1-1.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)	Met
Correction Deadline: 6/8/2023 Corrected on 12/12/2023 .09(1)(c) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. After review of records it was observed that all staff had current Comprehensive Record Checks on this date. Correction Deadline: 6/8/2023 Corrected on 12/12/2023 .09(1)(l)3. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. After review of records it was observed that all staff had current Comprehensive Record Checks on this date.	
591-1-1.31 Staff(CR)	Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.31(13) prohibits Center Staff from committing any criminal act, as defined under Georgia law, in the presence of any child enrolled in the Center and requires Center staff to comply with all applicable laws and regulations. It was determined based on an observation that vehicle #1 tag ABL 5286 transported children with an expired decal sticker, January 2023, on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that all Staff comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

Correction Deadline: 12/15/2023

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)	Met
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Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

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