



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 11/9/2023 VisitType: POI Follow Up

Arrival: 9:00 AM

Departure: 11:30 AM

CCLC-35741

Learning Adventures Preschool Academy

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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.
11/09/2023	POI Follow Up	Support	
10/06/2023	Initial-TA	N/A	
10/06/2023	TA Follow Up	N/A	

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- 3- 12 years	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	5	C	18	C	26	C	Free Play
Main	B- Infant- 2 yrs	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	15	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 33			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 41							
Total # Children this Date: 20			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 41							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	21	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Plan of Improvement follow-up visit.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 11/28/2023

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@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Alice Grissom, Program Official

Date

Angela Williams-Jackson, Regional Consultant

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/4/2023

Corrected on 11/9/2023

The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Corrected on 11/9/2023

The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Corrected on 11/9/2023

The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Corrected on 11/9/2023

The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.21(3) requires that the Center conduct drills for fire, tornado and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Center shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined based on a review of records that the center did not conduct a lockdown drill or the emergency plans procedures for 2023.

Correction Deadline: 11/9/2023

Recited on 11/9/2023

Safety

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) requires any Center that provides any type of transportation to obtain two (2) hours of state-approved or state-accepted transportation training, biannually, for the Director and for each person responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children. The training shall include, but is not limited to, a review of the transportation rules, a review of approved transportation forms and procedures, and instruction on the usage and completion of the forms and procedures. This training may be counted as part of the annual training requirements for Staff. It was determined based on a review of records that staff member #6 did not complete two hours of transportation training as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/16/2023

Recited on 11/9/2023

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Corrected on 11/9/2023
The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Finding
591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires 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. It was determined based on a review of records that children were missing a check or other mark/symbol to account for both children entering and exiting the vehicle on October 30, 2023 through November 3, 2023 and November 6, 2023 through November 8, 2023. The transportation documents on October 30, 2023 through November 3, 2023 and November 6, 2023 through November 8, 2023 did not have the morning route filled in. The transportation documents were missing the vehicle tag number. Additionally, children were incorrectly marked on October 30, 2023 through November 3, 2023 and November 6, 2023 through November 8, 2023. The transportation document had children who ride the van in the morning checked for the afternoon route. The transportation document had children who ride the van in the afternoon checked for the morning route.

Correction Deadline: 11/9/2023

Recited on 11/9/2023

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2023

Corrected on 11/9/2023
The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Corrected on 11/9/2023
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591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Corrected on 11/9/2023

The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(4) requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. It was determined based on a review of records that staff member #2, who is the primary person responsible for food preparation, did not complete four clock hours of training as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/16/2023

Recited on 11/9/2023

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.31(2)(c) requires the Center to maintain a copy and/or written verification of the credential or degree awarded to the lead teacher that is required by these rules in the lead teacher's file, to make the document available for inspection and to provide the document to Department staff upon request. It was determined based on observation that a lead teacher in classroom B did not have evidence of educational credentials as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/9/2023

Recited on 11/9/2023