



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/11/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:30 AM **Departure:** 2:15 PM

CCLC-267

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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.
06/11/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/01/2024	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
01/25/2023	Monitoring Visit	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
2nd Floor	Afterschool		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
2nd Floor	Afterschool		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 50			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main Floor	Infants	Infants	3	9	C	26	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap,Flo or Play
Main Floor	Infants	Infants	3	9	C	26	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap,Feeding
Main Floor	Mobile Infants	One Year Olds	1	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main Floor	Mobile Infants	One Year Olds	1	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main Floor	Preschool 1	Three Year Olds	3	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main Floor	Preschool 1	Three Year Olds	3	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main Floor	Toddlers	Two Year Olds	3	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main Floor	Toddlers	Two Year Olds	3	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main Floor	Wobblers	One Year Olds	2	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main Floor	Wobblers	One Year Olds	2	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 192					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Upstairs	Mobile Infants 2		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA
Upstairs	Mobile Infants 2		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA
Upstairs	Pre-K 1	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	15	C	58	C	NA	NA Free Play
Upstairs	Pre-K 1	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	15	C	58	C	NA	NA Free Play
Upstairs	Preschool 3	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	14	C	17	C	NA	NA Centers
Upstairs	Preschool 3	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	14	C	17	C	NA	NA Centers
Upstairs	Preschool2	Four Year Olds	2	14	C	17	C	NA	NA Centers
Upstairs	Preschool2	Four Year Olds	2	14	C	17	C	NA	NA Centers
Upstairs	Room G-Back L		0	0	C	26	C	NA	NA
Upstairs	Room G-Back L		0	0	C	26	C	NA	NA
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 264					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 204			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 506			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Floor	Back Playground	43	C
Main Floor	Back Playground	43	C
Main Floor	Front Playground	32	C
Main Floor	Front Playground	32	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a licensing study.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/11/2024

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.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

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 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)

Not Evaluated

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities. There is no pool on property.

Children's Records

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

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

591-1-1.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1.26(8) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure enough resilient surfacing is present on the front playground. Director stated mulch has been ordered for the playground.

Correction Deadline: 6/21/2024

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

Comment

Consultant observed bottles to be covered and fully labeled with child's full name.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2023

Corrected on 6/11/2024

.17(7) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed staff to state the correct hand washing procedures for diapering.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2023

Corrected on 6/11/2024

.17(8) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed staff to state the proper hand washing and hygiene procedures.

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed complete emergency drills.

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices

Met

Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Not Evaluated

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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)**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.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit on February 1, 2024.

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on review of records two staff members did not have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file on this date. A one-day letter was left on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will [] to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will [] to ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2024**Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(l)3. requires the Center to immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for a Director, Employee or Provisional Employee at least once every five years. It was determined It was determined based on review of records two staff members did not have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file on this date. A one-day letter was left on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will [] to ensure that each Director, Employee and Provisional Employee has a Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file that has been issued within the past five years. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will [] to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2024

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Complete first aid kits observed in center.

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.