



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/28/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:35 AM **Departure:** 1:35 PM

CCLC-49933

Good Foundation 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.
03/28/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/16/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/05/2022	Complaint Closure	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	Infants and One Year Olds	2	9	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap, Free Play
Main	B		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Main	C	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	D- 1st left		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	E- 1st right	GA PreK	2	20	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	F- 2nd left	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	G- 2nd right	GA PreK	2	16	C	22	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	H-Ones	One Year Olds	1	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 78					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	All ages	58	C
Main	B - Left	22	C

Comments

An on-site inspection was conducted on March 28, 2023 with the Director Ashley Williams. Background checks were all reviewed on March 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.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!

Christine Louis, Program Official

Date

Jessica Johnson, Regional Consultant

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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

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/23/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.08(1) - Citation corrected. Children files observed complete.

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that there was 33 children observed on playground B-left when the maximum capacity for playground B-left was 22.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based on observation that there was a missing floor tile next to the trash can in classroom A. It was further determined based on observation that there was a missing floor tile next to the emergency exit door in classroom B. It was also determined based on observation that there was a missing floor tile next to the purple door in classroom H.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were observed:

Classroom A

- Diaper wipes stored under the diapering table accessible to children.
- Desitin cream stored under the diapering table accessible to children.

Classroom C

- Diaper wipes observed in the cubby.
- Cleaning solution on top of the block shelf accessible to children.
- A blue table and two green chairs were observed on top of the sensory table.

Classroom D

- A plunger stored in the restroom.

Classroom E

- Cottonelle wipes stored in the cubby.
- A plastic bag stored on top of the right cubby.

Classroom F

- A plastic bag stored in the cubby.
- Diaper wipes in a child's purple bookbag.

Classroom G

- Broom and mop stored next to the sink.
- Lysol spray, Lysol wipes, cleaning solution, and febreze stored on top of the left cubby.

Classroom H

- Diaper wipes stored in an open cabinet accessible to children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2023

Recited on 3/28/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the carpet on the loft structure in classroom F was unraveled near the slide area.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2023

Recited on 3/28/2023

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

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 12/30/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.26(4) - Citation observed corrected. No hazards were observed on this day.

Correction Deadline: 12/30/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.26(6) - Citation observed corrected. No hazards were observed on this day.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Consultant discussed with the Director removing the black trash bag from the left playground area.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

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

Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the Director on this date.

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.11(1) - Consultant discussed with the Director the voice tones used in redirecting children in classroom C.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

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

Not Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. - Consultant discussed with the Director that designated person shall immediately document in 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.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)1. requires that the first check be conducted immediately upon unloading the last child at any location including, but not limited to, a field trip destination, arrival at the Center, and the last stop during transportation to home or school. The responsible person on the vehicle shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; sign the passenger transportation checklist (s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle; and give the passenger transportation checklist(s) to the second designated Staff person. It was determined based on a review of records that the following signatures were missing from the transportation check list:

- The afternoon route first check signature was missing on March 20, 2023, from Miller Grove Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.
- The afternoon route first check signature was missing on March 20, 2023, from Miller Grove Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.
- The afternoon route first check signature was missing on March 21, 2023, from Redan Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based on a review of records that the PM second check signature was missing on March 20, 2023, from Miller Grove Elementary to Good Foundation Academy. It was determined based on a review of records that the following was missing from the transportation checklist:

- The morning route second check signature was missing on March 20, 2023, from Miller Grove Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.
- The afternoon route second check signature was missing on March 21, 2023, from Redan Elementary to Good Foundation Academy.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

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)

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.32(7) - Citation corrected. Adequate supervision observed on this date.