



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/15/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 3:30 PM **Departure:** 5:45 PM

CCLC-30691

YBASE at West Chatham Elementary

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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.
10/15/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/25/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/08/2023	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
Main	Cafe	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over and GA PreK	3	39	C	0	NC	NA	NA	Clean Up,Outside,Snack,Transitioning,Free Play,Homework
Main	Computer lab		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 28			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 39			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG	91	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
0	0	0	0	11	0	56

Comments

An in person licensing study was conducted on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/15/2024

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@decal.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-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.03(8) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date in that staff responded to children's needs when appropriate.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.03(9) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date in that center staff did not allow horse play or running inside as these types of activities were not observed to occur by any children on this date.

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)

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)

Met

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)	N/A
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Comment

No children enrolled who require diapering. School age children attend only for after school hours.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 1/25/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.17(7) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date in that children were observed to wash hands prior to eating snack on this date.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)	N/A
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Comment

The Director stated they do not dispense/administer medication.

	Safety
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591-1-1-.05 Animals	N/A
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	N/A
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Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

	Sleeping & Resting Equipment
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591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)	N/A
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Comment

Sleeping/Naps are not required for this program. School age children attend only for after school hours.

	Staff Records
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591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 1/25/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.09(1)(j) -Based on a review of records, all staff had a current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter on file and this citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR	Met
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Correction Deadline: 2/24/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.14(1) - Based on a review of records, all staff had current CPR and First Aid training on file and this citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records	Met
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Correction Deadline: 1/26/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.24(2) - Based on a review of records, this citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/22/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.33(3) - Based on a review of records, this citation has been corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.33(5) - Based on a review of records, this citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.31(1)(b)2. - Based on a review of records, this citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

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: 1/25/2024

Corrected on 10/15/2024

.32(7) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date in that the staff member inside with children was observed to interacting and attentive to children in the cafeteria moving to different tables as needed, and the two staff members outside with the children were observed to be interacting with children and offering assistance and redirection as needed to the children being supervised.