



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/31/2024 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:00 AM

Departure: 11:30 AM

CCLC-32691

**Enrichment Services Program, Inc. Early Head Start at
Boxwood Place**
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Quality Rated: No

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.
01/31/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/06/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/21/2023	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	Room A -1st Right	Infants and One Year Olds	2	7	C	8	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play, Free Play
Main	Room B - 2nd Right	Two Year Olds	2	4	C	8	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Story
Main	Room C -3rd Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	6	C	8	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room D - 4th Rt.	Two Year Olds	2	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Room E - 5th Rt.	Three Year Olds	2	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Centers, Transitioning
Main	Room F - 6 th Rt.		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 48			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 27			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 48			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	playground	63	C

Comments

January 31, 2024--The Monitoring Visit was completed on this date. The findings were discussed with the Director.

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

Winston Jackson, Program Official

Date

Penny Svenson, 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.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/6/2023

Corrected on 1/31/2024

All corrections were observed on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2023

Corrected on 1/31/2024

There were no mushrooms observed to be present on the playground. Further, the eighth door was painted and there was no chipped paint observed to be present on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the Clean Check Peroxide Multi Surface Cleaner & Disinfectant was required to sit on the diaper changing surface for a minimum of 30 seconds for the disinfectant to work for SARS and a minimum of 45 seconds for the disinfectant to work for Norovirus according to the Manufacturer's Guidelines. Further, the Consultant discussed with the Director that a soap and water solution was required to be used prior to the disinfectant.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2024

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure staff members did not leave children's hands in the stream of water when washing their hands. Further, the Consultant provided the proper handwashing handout to the Director on this date.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2024**Finding**

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined based on observation that a staff member put gloves on and wiped a one-year-old child's face and did not wash their hands after the gloves were removed. Further, the staff member did not wash their hands before they changed an infants diaper and when the staff member washed their hands after the diaper change they only washed their hands for approximately seven seconds.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2024

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

The Director stated there were no changes in medications since the last regulatory visit.

Safety

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

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

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 9/6/2023**

Corrected on 1/31/2024

The correction was made according to staff statements. Further, infant crib sheets appeared clean on this date.

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-.14 First Aid & CPR Met

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2023

Corrected on 1/31/2024

The correction was made. The staff member obtained current first aid and CPR on 11/14/2023.

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

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Comment

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