



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/20/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 2:25 PM

CCLC-58021

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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.
03/20/2024	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/24/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/17/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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 - 1st Left	Infants	2	9	C	13	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play, Nap
Main	B - 2nd Left	Two Year Olds	3	20	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Outside
Main	C - 3rd Left	Two Year Olds	2	17	C	21	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	D - 4th Left	Three Year Olds	2	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E - 5th Left	GA PreK	2	20	C	26	C	36	C	Transitioning, Nap
Main	F - Front Center	GA PreK	2	16	C	21	C	29	C	Nap
Main	G - Back Center	GA PreK	2	18	C	24	C	34	C	Nap
Main	H - 5th Right	Four Year Olds	2	20	C	21	C	30	C	Nap
Main	I - 4th Right	Four Year Olds	2	20	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	J - 3rd Right	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	K - 2nd Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	14	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	L - 1st Right	Infants and One Year Olds	3	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Diapering, Lunch

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 230

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 267

Total # Children this Date: 189

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - Toddler	57	C
Main	Playground B - School-age	72	C
Main	Playground C - Toddler	19	C
Main	Playground D - Infants	9	C

Comments

Licensing study completed on March 20, 2024.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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 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**

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms **Met**

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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)**Not Met****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 classrooms had hazardous items accessible to children in care.

C- 3rd left- In two drawers to the right of the handwashing sink that the child lock was not working were "Phytoplex", "Cerave", "Aquaphor", screw driver, adult scissors, staple remover and batteries.

H- 5th right- In an unlocked cabinet to the left of the handwashing sink were broom, dust pan, vacuum cleaner and Pampers wipes.

I- 4th right- In an unlocked cabinet on the right side wall were stapler, tape dispenser and adult scissors.

K- 2nd right- In an unlocked cabinet to the left of the handwashing sink were dust pan, mop, broom, vacuum cleaner and teacher's purse.

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. Items will be moved to inaccessible locations until child locks are replaced.

Correction Deadline: 3/20/2024**Correction Deadline: 8/28/2023****Corrected on 3/20/2024****.25(3) - Correction observed on this date. Light bulbs were replaced and light was working on this date.**

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Comment**

Please ensure that infant feeding forms are updated regularly.

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**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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

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

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)	Met
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Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	Not Met
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Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

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 one driver transportation training expired December 7, 2022.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director, Center Staff, and any person responsible for the transportation of children has completed the required transportation training. Training will be completed every two years.

Correction Deadline: 3/30/2024

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) - Please monitor vehicles to ensure brooms, dust pans, car seats and any other loose items were secured.

Correction Deadline: 3/21/2024

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)	Met
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Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)	Met
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Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 5 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

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

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

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