



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/1/2023 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 11:30 AM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

CCLC-3947

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Quality Rated: No

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
09/01/2023	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
08/15/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/08/2023	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	120 Fern	Infants	2	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play
Main	122 Virginia Creeper	Infants	1	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding
Main	124 Primrose	Infants	1	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play
Main	126 Lily	Infants	2	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play
Main	132 Holly	One Year Olds	2	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	134 Mulberry	Infants and One Year Olds	3	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Lunch
Main	144 Red Bud	Infants and One Year Olds	2	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Feeding
Main	146 Dogwood	One Year Olds	2	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	152 Maple	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	154 Sweet Gum	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	164 Willow	One Year Olds	2	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	166 Laurel	One Year Olds	1	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	176 redwood	GA PreK	2	21	C	26	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	178 Silver Bells		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main	180 Birch	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	17	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	182 Chesnut	Three Year Olds	2	18	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	186 Elm	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch

Main	188 Hickory	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	192 Oak	Two Year Olds	2	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	194 Cypress	Four Year Olds	1	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Piazza 121-Infant		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Main	Piazza 151-Toddler II		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	Piazza Preschool		0	0	C	38	C	NA	NA	
Main	Piazza Toddler I		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 405

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 207

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG1-preschool/sa	46	C
Main	PG2-toddler	57	C
Main	PG3-toddler	23	C
Main	PG4-Infant/young toddler	43	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct an incident investigation and follow up.

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.decga.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!

Lasheenia Fields, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

Facility

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

Correction Deadline: 8/29/2023

Corrected on 9/1/2023

.25(3) - The previous citations were corrected on this day.

Staff Records

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

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

Corrected on 9/1/2023

.09(1)(a) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The contractor was not present during the visit.

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.09(1)(c) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The contractor was not present during the visit.