



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/30/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:00 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

CCLC-58497

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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.
10/30/2024	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
08/15/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/29/2023	Initial 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	1L-Room C-Three Year Olds	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	11	C	17	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	1R-D-Three Year Olds	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Upstairs Back-B GA Pre-K	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	Upstairs Front A-GA Pre-K	Four Year Olds	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 75		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Main 2	E Infants		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	
Main 2	F School Age	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	3	C	13	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 26		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 51			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 101		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Large Playground	54	C
Main	Small Playground	16	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and a follow up visit.

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.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!



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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2024

Corrected on 10/30/2024

.12(4) - The previous citation of a shelf unit in Room A was observed to be corrected on this date in that the shelf unit had been shortened in height so it was not a tipping hazard.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/23/2024

Corrected on 10/30/2024

.06(4) - The previous of inoperable bathroom vent fans was observed to be corrected on this date in that the bathroom vent fans were operable.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/19/2024

Corrected on 10/30/2024

.25(17) - The previous citation of weeds protruding through the fence was observed to be corrected on this date in that there were no weeds protruding through the fence.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2024

Corrected on 10/30/2024

.25(7) - The previous citations of unlocked supply closet doors was observed to be corrected on this date in that all supply closet doors were observed to be locked.

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2024

Corrected on 10/30/2024

.16(f) - The previous citation of a classroom being used without being licensed was observed to be corrected on this date in that an amendment had been approved adding this classroom.