



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/20/2024 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:05 PM

CCLC-16411

Discovery Point #40

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Same

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.
08/20/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/08/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/16/2023	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	A-1L-6wks-10 mnths	Infants	1	6	C	20	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B-2L-11-18 mnths	One Year Olds	2	7	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C-3L-18-24 mnths	One Year Olds	2	6	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside,Diapering,Free Play
Main	D-Cafe-S/A		0	0	C	33	C	NA	NA	
Main	E-1R-2 years	Two Year Olds	2	5	C	22	C	NA	NA	Circle Time,Transitioing,Diapering
Main	F-2R- 3 years	Three Year Olds	2	9	C	24	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G-3R- Pre-K	GA PreK	2	20	C	24	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Outside
Main	H-4R-Pre-K	GA PreK	2	19	C	27	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	I-back middle-Pre-K	Three Year Olds	1	4	C	36	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 222					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 76					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A-6wks-24mnths	36	C
Main	Playground B-2-5 years	93	C

<u>Enrolled Children</u>						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
6	15	6	14	40	6	28

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit. Staff files and criminal records checks were reviewed.

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.al.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.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 Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/8/2024

Corrected on 8/20/2024

.03(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The consultant observed children in classroom A-1L actively and freely engaging 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

Per director the 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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Please ensure that all hazardous items and/or equipment (i.e., staff personal items/ beverages, plastic bags, etc.) are stored in a locked cabinet and/or container inaccessible to children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2024

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Comment

Please monitor the playground area for the following hazardous items:

- Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e., spiders, ants, etc.).
- Normal wear and tear of playground equipment (i.e., riding equipment, etc.).
- Standing water in and/or around playground equipment and/or toys.
- Monitor trees limbs hanging over the playground area, trim or cut as needed.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(8) - Please ensure to re-fluff resilient surface as needed.

Correction Deadline: 8/30/2024

Health and Hygiene**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Consultant observed diapering procedures on this date.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.17(8) - Please ensure that staff members immediately wash their hands and children's hands upon completing the diapering procedures.

Correction Deadline: 8/20/2024

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures, ensure that parents update medical documents. (i.e., prescription number, etc.)

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete on this date.

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

Consultant observed staff to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

Comment

Discussed with staff proper redirection strategies on this date.

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

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The consultant observed the following vehicles to have evidence of a current vehicle inspection report:

- Vehicle tag # ADK 3127 - Expires September 30, 2024. Vehicle inspection conducted on July 18, 2024.
- Vehicle tag # RFP 3369 - Expires September 30, 2024. Vehicle inspection conducted on July 19, 2024

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met**

Correction Deadline: 1/8/2024

Corrected on 8/20/2024

.30(2)(c) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed children in classroom A-1L placed in their cribs while resting 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.

Comment

Director provided four staff files for employees hired since last visit conducted on January 8, 2024. Consultant observed four of four staff to have a satisfactory comprehensive records check electronically on this date.

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

Consultant observed staff providing active and attentive supervision on this date.