



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 11/21/2023 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up

Arrival: 11:35 AM

Departure: 1:00 PM

CCLC-50207

Big Blue Marble - Evans Towne Center

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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.
11/21/2023	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
10/03/2023	MV POI Follow Up	Deficient	
02/16/2023	Licensing Study	Support	

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-Infant	Infants and One Year Olds	3	12	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B-Infant		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 1 (C)	One Year Olds	2	15	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room 2 (D)		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 3(E)	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	11	C	16	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Room 4(F)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	9	C	15	C	22	C	Lunch
Main	Room 5(G)	Two Year Olds	2	15	C	18	C	26	C	Nap
Main	Room 6-(H)	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	18	C	26	C	Nap
Main	Room 7(I)	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	3	21	C	25	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 145			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 145			Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations				
Total # Children this Date: 95			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 145			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 145				
						Building @25 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant- Right Front	11	C
Main	PG A- Left Playground	62	C

Main	PG B- Center Playground	26	C
Main	PG C- Right Playground	36	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Plan of Improvement follow up visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/21/2023

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!

Latisha Story, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Facility	
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591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/3/2023

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.19(1) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed the center to maintain license capacity on this date.

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 10/3/2023

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.25(13) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant did not observe any hazards accessible to children on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined, based on observation, that the following items were observed to be not in good repair on this date:

•Room 4(F) – The exterior door leading to the playground was not sealed at the top of the door.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 12/8/2023

Recited on 11/21/2023

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

591-1-1-.26(4)-Citation deferred due to inclement weather.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 11/3/2023**Defer**

591-1-1-.26(6)-Citation deferred due to inclement weather.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 11/3/2023**Defer**

591-1-1-.26(9)-Citation deferred due to inclement weather.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 11/3/2023

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022****Corrected on 11/21/2023**

.15(2) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed infant feeding plans.

Correction Deadline: 4/8/2022**Corrected on 11/21/2023**

.15(7) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant and Director discussed not serving string cheese to children less than four years of age.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 10/20/2023****Corrected on 11/21/2023**

.10(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed diaper changing surfaces to be smooth and nonporous on this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022**

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.36(7)(b) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed documentation of emergency medical information.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/8/2022

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.14(1)(a) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed documentation of first aid and cpr training.

Correction Deadline: 5/21/2022

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.14(2) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed documentation of first aid and cpr training.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/3/2023

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.31(13) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed current registration for the vehicle used for transportation.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/3/2023

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.32(2) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed appropriate Staff:Child ratios.

Correction Deadline: 10/3/2023

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.32(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant did not observed children two-years-old and younger to be housed with older children on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/3/2023

Corrected on 11/21/2023

.32(7) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed staff within arms reach during meal times.