



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/9/2024 VisitType: Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:45 AM Departure: 2:40 PM

CCLC-30931

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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.
04/09/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/22/2024	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
02/05/2024	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 and One Year Olds	2	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B - 2nd Left		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C - 3rd Left	One Year Olds	1	8	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	D - 4th Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	9	C	10	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	E -5th Left		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F - 6th Left	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	G - 4th Right	GA PreK	2	21	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	H - 3rd Right	GA PreK	2	17	C	22	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	I - 2nd Right	Four Year Olds	1	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	J - 1st Right	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 125					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 97		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 125			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	47	C
Main	Playground B	39	C
Main	Playground Waterpad	4	C

Comments

A licensing study visit was completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/09/2024

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!

Micell Gleaton, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

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Please ensure the center provides outdoor activities daily, weather permitting. Consultant discussed with the director to ensure the playground equipment is wiped down after rainy weather to ensure children can have outdoor time.

Correction Deadline: 4/9/2024

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable on this date.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that a variety of age-appropriate toys and play materials be available, stored on low, open shelves accessible to children in each room or assigned area. Additionally, books will be added to the third left classroom and a soft chair will be added to the sixth left classroom.

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2024

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities on this date.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained and completed on this date.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized on this date.

Facility**591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)****Met****Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be met by the center on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****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 were not clean or in good repair:

- * Chipped paint was present on the baseboards in the third left, forth left, sixth left, first right and third right classrooms.
- * Vents in the children's bathroom's were dusty in the forth left, sixth left, first right, second right, and third right classrooms. The vent upon entry of classroom located on the third right side was also dusty.
- * The entry door to the first right classroom was not in good repair as it appeared to be jammed and was not able to be closed without slamming the door.
- * The screw at the base of the toilet in the second right classroom was rusted and was not capped as required.

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. Consultant also discussed with the director to ensure the air conditioner was in working order in the forth left and third right classrooms although the temp. was within range on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/15/2024

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that the outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. Consultant discussed with the director to ensure the green stationary car rider and yellow shaded area on Playground B are free of minor chipped paint spots and that the place for the wheels on the green rider has a smooth texture as required to prevent potential hazards.

Correction Deadline: 4/19/2024

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

Center menu meets USDA guidelines on this date.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized on this date.

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

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands as required.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)	N/A
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Comment

The center currently does not dispense or administer medication at this time.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures	Met
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Comment

Program observed to have completed emergency drills as required on this date.

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices	Met
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Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting	Met
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Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals	N/A
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)	N/A
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Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

A current and completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children on this date. Vehicles with tag number ending in WF487, W9368 and M3281 were completed on July 7, 2023. The person in charge reported that vehicles with tag numbers ending in WF487 and W9368 were not in use at this time.

Comment

Paperwork, checklist form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director and staff members on this date.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with the director and infant staff members on this date.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Storage of sheets were discussed with the director 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 on this date.

Comment

Director provided two file(s) for employees hired since the last visit which was completed on February 5, 2024.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles on this date.

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Comment**

Documentation observed of required annual staff training for 2023.

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations on this date.

Staffing and Supervision**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date. An additional staff member will be added to the sixth left classroom as needed for potty training and lunch time.