



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Date: 2/17/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:55 AM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-48804

Kids' Galaxy of Lawrenceville

154 Johnson Road Lawrenceville, GA 30046 Gwinnett County
 (484) 557-1356 SHEFALI.PATT@GMAIL.COM

Regional Consultant

Lesley Barrett

Phone:

Fax:

lesley.barrett@decal.ga.gov

Mailing Address

P O Box 1955
 Suwanee, GA 30024

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.
02/17/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Support	
12/01/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/21/2022	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	A 100 & 200- 1st left	Infants	1	4	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B-300- 2nd left	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	28	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C400- 2's 1st right	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	25	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D500- 2nd right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E600-PreK 3rd right	Four Year Olds	1	1	C	23	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	F650 PreK- 4th right		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	G700-Middle back right		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	H800-School age Back left	Six Year Olds and Over	1	13	C	25	C	NA	NA	Snack,Free Play
Main	I801-Back far left		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 212						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 57			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 212			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - 1L - Infant - Toddler	30	C
Main	Playground B - 1R - Preschool	18	C

Main	Playground C - Middle - Right - School - Age	32	C
Main	Playground D - Back- Middle - SA	75	C
Main	Playground E - Back - Lower Rear Right - SA	304	C

Comments

The investigation remains open on this date, pending additional information. Upon completion the finding will be reviewed with the provider and a final copy of the report will be sent.

The purpose of this visit was to conduct an complaint investigation and to follow up on the previous visit conducted on December 01, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 03/03/2023

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!

Pattharwala Shefali, Program Official

Date

Lesley Barrett, Consultant

Date



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334
Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

(Findings Report)

Date: 2/17/2023 VisitType: Complaint Investigation Arrival: 10:55 AM Departure: 2:00 PM
Follow Up

CCLC-48804

Kids' Galaxy of Lawrenceville

154 Johnson Road Lawrenceville, GA 30046 Gwinnett County
(484) 557-1356 SHEFALI.PATT@GMAIL.COM

Regional Consultant

Lesley Barrett

Phone:

Fax:

lesley.barrett@decal.ga.gov

Mailing Address

P O Box 1955
Suwanee, GA 30024

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

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.06(5) - Consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that they provide platforms or sets of steps at sinks to assist children who are unable to use the fixtures comfortably when child-size fixtures are not provided.

Correction Deadline: 2/27/2023

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.25(13) - Previous citation was corrected on this date. Consultant did not observe any hazardous materials, supplies or equipment that were accessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.25(3) - Previously cited rule violation was corrected on this date.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. 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. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the climbing structure on the right side of the school had peeling paint and is need of repair. A torn hole into the plastic material on the climbing structure was observed to have sharp edged.

Correction Deadline: 3/17/2023

Recited on 2/17/2023

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.26(9) - Previously cited rule violation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed the playground to be clean and litter free.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.15(3) - Previously cited rule violation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed that infant bottles were properly labeled with the individual child's name as required.

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.15(4) - Previously cited rule violations was corrected on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.17(7) - Previously cited rule violation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed children at the center washing their hands.

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.17(7)(a) - Previously cited rule violation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed infant hands being washed after diapering.

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.17(8- Previously cited rule violation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed staff members washing their hands throughout the day.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on observation that three of four crib sheets in the infant room were not tight-fitting. One mattress was observed to have a 3-4 inch gap.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2023

Recited on 2/17/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant's back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant's back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer's guidelines and will not slide up around the infant's face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that two out of four children that were in the infant classroom had items placed in the crib with them. Consultant observed pillows, blankets, a bib around a child's neck, and soft items in the cribs with the infants.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2023

Recited on 2/17/2023

Staffing and Supervision

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

Corrected on 2/17/2023

.32(1) - Previously cited rule violation was corrected on this date. Center observed to maintain appropriate child:staff ratios.