



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 12/15/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 12:10 PM

Departure: 2:00 PM

CCLC-53302

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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.
12/15/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/15/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/25/2021	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 (1L) - 2's	Two Year Olds	2	15	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B (1R) - 4's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	16	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D (BR) 3's		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	E (Down 1L) - 6wks-12 mths	Infants	1	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	F (Down 1R) - School Age		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	G (Down 2R) - 1's	One Year Olds	2	13	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	H (Down 3R) - School Age		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 66			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Playground Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 48		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 66			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - 6wks - 12 yrs	22	C

Comments

Director provided four files for employees hired since previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed 01/01/0001

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.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.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



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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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)

Rhonda Barnett, Program Official

Date

Tomekia Hudson, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1.12 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)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

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

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility	
591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms	Met
Comment Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.	
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)	Met
Comment Center appears clean and well maintained.	
591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
Comment Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.	
Food Service	

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition	Met
Comment Center menu meets USDA guidelines.	
Comment CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk 5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk 2 of 5 Components for snack Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers. The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website: DECAL http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx USDA http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks	
591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations	Met
Comment Kitchen appears clean and well organized.	
Health and Hygiene	

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
Comment Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.	
591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)	Met
Comment Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.	

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

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

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(2) - The Center will take all steps necessary to provide a safe sleep environment for infants as listed in these rules; will train Staff to follow these rules; and will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 12/15/2022

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 13**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 10/31/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 02/18/2015

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 04/04/2022

Staff # 4

Met

Records Reviewed: 13**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 05/17/2022

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 10/31/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 04/14/2022

Staff # 7

Met

Date of Hire: 07/18/2016

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 05/23/2022

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 02/22/2021

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 12/27/2021

Staff # 11

Met

Date of Hire: 07/05/2018

Staff # 12

Met

Date of Hire: 11/18/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 13

Met

Date of Hire: 09/06/2022

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Director provided four files for employees hired since last visit.

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

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

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

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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.

Comment

Discussed naptime ratios.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.