



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/28/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 7:50 AM **Departure:** 10:25 AM

CCLC-23214

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Quality Rated: ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
03/28/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/06/2023	TA Follow Up	NA	
08/16/2023	TA Follow Up	NA	

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Building 1	1L	GA PreK	2	15	C	32	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Centers
Building 1	1R	Two Year Olds	1	6	C	21	C	NA	NA	Breakfast, Centers
Building 1	2L Back	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	9	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers, Breakfast
Building 1	2L Front	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	15	C	29	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Building 1	2R	One Year Olds	1	4	C	23	C	NA	NA	Breakfast
Building 1	3L		0	0	C	27	C	NA	NA	
Building 1	4L	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	13	C	27	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Breakfast
Building 1	Infant Room Front Right	Infants	2	2	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 193			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 64			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 193							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building 1	Right Side	58	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licensing Study. Staff files, children files, and criminal records checks were reviewed.

Reminders:

Please be sure to enter all temporary closures in DECAL KOALA under the Required Report tab whenever your facility is closed temporarily for one day or more.

Incident Reports are to be submitted via DECAL KOALA with all signed staff statements for staff and the director. Consultant left a copy of Required Reporting Guidelines

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/28/2024

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!

Hemal Subbarao, Program Official

Date

Amanda Schofield, Regional Consultant

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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

Consultant observed a variety of equipment and toys throughout the center.

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

N/A

Comment

Per director center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed records to be complete and well organized.

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)

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2023

Corrected on 3/28/2024

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed corrected. Consultant observed classroom environments to be free from hazard on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2023

Corrected on 3/28/2024

.25(3) - The previous citation was observed corrected. Consultant observed the maintenance tech on site repairing ceiling tile. Consultant observed restroom light repaired on this date.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26 - Please ensure to refluff resilient surface as needed.

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2023

Corrected on 3/28/2024

.26(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the multicolor gate that separates the toddler in good repair on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2023

Corrected on 3/28/2024

.26(9) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed the playground area to be free from litter and hazards on this date.

Food Service

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15 - Consultant discussed with staff to please ensure that bottles are fully labeled with child's full name and date.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Consultant observed kitchen clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

N/A

Comment

Per Provider the center currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

N/A

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Consultant observed a positive learning environment between staff and children on this date.

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

Per Provider the center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	N/A
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Comment

Per provider the center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Consultant observed cribs/cots labeled for individual use.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 7/18/2023

Corrected on 3/28/2024

.09(1)(a) - The previous citation was observed corrected. Consultant observed all staff to have complete Criminal Record Check on file on this date.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records	Met
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Correction Deadline: 7/12/2023

Corrected on 3/28/2024

.24(1) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected. After a review of records consultant observed personnel file complete on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training	Met
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Correction Deadline: 7/11/2023

Corrected on 3/28/2024

.33(1) - The previous citation was observed correct. After a review of records, consultant observed all staff to have initial orientation on file on this date.

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

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.