



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/20/2023 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:05 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-29554

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Quality Rated: No

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.
09/20/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/30/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/16/2022	Monitoring Visit	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	1L- 4yr.	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	16	C	17	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	1R- 18 mo.	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	7	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	2L- 4 yr.		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	2R- 3 yr.	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	4	C	17	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	3L- 2 yr.	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	3R- 2 yr.	Two Year Olds	2	4	C	17	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Hall- 5 yr.	Three Year Olds	2	12	C	10	NC	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 114					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 51					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	41	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a License Study Visit and to follow-up from the previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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

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

Debra Deutsch, Program Official

Date

Alison Benson, Regional Consultant

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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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Comment

5 of 5 children's records were observed to be complete and well organized on this date.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

The program has the following capacity limitations: In the Hall Classroom, the licensed capacity limitation is currently 10, however, the center is working on submitting the amendment to have this updated.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The amendment will be submitted as soon as possible.

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

Met

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

During the walk through on this date, the consultant and the director came up with storage options for the brooms and dust pans for each classroom, due to the classrooms not having storage options.

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

591-1-1-.26 - Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

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

The center does not prepare lunch for children in care, it is provided by the parents.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that nutritious meals are provided.

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****Comment**

Proper hand washing was observed throughout the center on this date.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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

Documentation was provided, showing that the program is currently completing emergency drills as required by the department.

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

Pleasant interactions were observed on this date.

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

The center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

The center does not provide routine transportation at this time.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)	Met
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Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

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

Annual training for 2022 was observed during the license study that was completed March 30, 2023.

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

The center was observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Adequate supervision was observed on this date.