



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/4/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:45 AM **Departure:** 2:15 PM

CCLC-48377

Childcare Network #309

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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.
03/04/2024	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
01/04/2024	Incident Investigation/Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/04/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	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 1R/Right side	Infants	1	2	C	16	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B 2R/Right side		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	C 1L/Right side		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	D 2L/Right side	One Year Olds	1	8	C	20	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	E 3L/Right side		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	F 4L/Right side	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G 1L/Left side		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	H 2L/Left side		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	I 3L/Left side	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	C	16	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	J 4L/Left side	Three Year Olds	1	6	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	K 1R/Left side		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	L 2R/Left side	GA PreK	2	18	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	M 3R/Left side	GA PreK	2	19	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	N 4R/Left side	GA PreK	2	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 225			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks				
Total # Children this Date: 90			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 225			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	3 yrs.& school age	46	C
Main	Infant/Toddler	22	C
Main	Preschool	28	C

Comments

Follow-up visit completed on March 4, 2024.

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.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 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.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Adrianna Cate, Program Official

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(Findings Report)

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

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/11/2024

Corrected on 3/4/2024

.26(4) - Correction observed on this date. Fences on both playgrounds had been repaired.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/4/2024

Corrected on 3/4/2024

.29(3) - Correction observed on this date. Required reports are uploaded within 24 hours as required.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 requires that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate comfortably the size and weight of the child; and that mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick. It was determined based on observation that the mats in classrooms I and J had rips and tears.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate the size and weight of the child and mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and is at least two inches thick.

Correction Deadline: 3/11/2024

Recited on 3/4/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.30(4). requires that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags. It was determined based on observation that classroom F had the mats stacked on top of one another with sheets on each mat.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will store cots and mats so children do not have access to them and they don't take up play space and will store them so each child's bedding is separate from the others.

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2024

Recited on 3/4/2024

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 3 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

	Staffing and Supervision
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591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/4/2024

Corrected on 3/4/2024

.32(7) - Correction observed on this date. Children were supervised at all times.