



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/7/2023 VisitType: Complaint Investigation Arrival: 11:30 AM Departure: 3:20 PM
Follow Up

CCLC-49380

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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.
08/07/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Support	
07/18/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing	
06/27/2023	Monitoring Visit	Deficient	

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-6wks - 12 mths	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	8	C	NA	NA	Nap, Free Play
Main	B- 1 year old		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	C- 2 year old		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Main	D- 3 year olds	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E-4year olds and up	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	17	C	24	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 69					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 35					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- all ages	63	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a complaint investigation.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 08/21/2023

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!

Fallon Harris, Program Official	Date
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Sondra Paster, CCS Coordinator	Date
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Jackqueline Frederick, Regional Consultant	Date
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(Findings Report)

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

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.12(6) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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: 6/27/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.25(3) - Citation observed corrected on on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(4) requires the Center to maintain the temperature in the range of 65 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit and to ventilate the Center be ventilated either by mechanical or natural means for the purpose of providing fresh air and controlling unpleasant odors. Facilities which do not have a functioning central heating and air-conditioning system shall make fifty percent (50%) of all required windows operable for ventilation. Any openings used for ventilation shall be screened. It was determined that classroom E's temperature was observed to at least 80 degrees with no ventilation or adequately operable air-conditioning system.

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2023

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined that, there was a gap observed at the base on the front and right side and front of the fence. The front gate has a gap that measured at least twelve inches and the right gate had a gap that measured at least eight inches.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2023

Recited on 8/7/2023

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 four-seated see-saw contained rust.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2023

Recited on 8/7/2023

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.26(9) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.17(5) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

Staff Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.09(1)(c) - Citation observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.09(1)(l)3. - Citation observed corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.24(1) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(4) requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. It was determined based on a review of records that the center did not have evidence of four clock hours of food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage, as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2023

Recited on 8/7/2023

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)-Annual training will be reviewed during calendar year.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2023

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.31(2)(b)2. - Citation observed corrected on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2023

Corrected on 8/7/2023

.32(7) - Citation observed corrected on this date.