



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/23/2023 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 12:30 PM **Departure:** 3:50 PM

CCLC-53769

**Special Investigations Unit
Coordinator**

KinderCare Learning Center #1197

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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.
08/23/2023	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
04/26/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/22/2023	Complaint 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- LFM (4-12 yrs)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B-LBRC		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C-LFC (2yrs)	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D-RF (3yr)	Two Year Olds	2	16	C	27	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E-R1L	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	11	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	F-R2L (6mths- 12 mths)	Infants and One Year Olds	3	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play,Feeding
Main	G- R3L(6wks- 6mths)		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 131			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 51			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 131							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A - 6 wks- 2 yr	11	C
Main	PG B- 3- 12 yrs	50	C

Comments

August 23, 2023: The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Follow-up to the previous visit conducted on April 26, 2023. The findings were reviewed with the provider and a copy of the report was emailed to the provider.

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 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!

Eric Rogers, Program Official

Date

Colette Bolds, Special Investigations Unit Coordinator

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of previous citation was observed as the center had exhaust fans operating in all the bathrooms in the center.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of previous citation was observed as room C LFC was observed not to have hazards out and accessible to children on this date.

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of the previous citation was observed as feeding plans for all four infants enrolled were updated and accessible and posted on cribs on this date.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of the previous citation was observed as the infants in care did not have pacifiers attached to their clothing on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/3/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of the previous citation was observed as the exhaust fans in rooms E, F, and G were operable. The center had obtained an exhaust fan in room D.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of the previous citation was observed as staff washed their hands after diapering as well as the children's hands on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of the previous citation was observed as staff washed children's hands in rooms D and E.

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License

Defer

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This rule will be deferred for the region to follow up on. The regional consultant who conducted the previous visit was on leave and not available for consultation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

An application for amendment and all necessary documentation will be submitted.

Correction Deadline: 5/3/2023

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of the previous citation was observed as infants were not sleeping with pacifiers attached to their clothing on this date.

Staff Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of the previous citation was observed as staff #15 was no longer employed at the center. Per the director there were four new staff persons who were hired since their last visit. Coordinator observed Satisfactory Criminal Background Checks for all four staff.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

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Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2023

Corrected on 8/23/2023

Correction of the previous citation was observed as room D was observed to have an appropriate staff:child ratio on this date. The other classrooms throughout the center also had appropriate ratios on this date.