



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 4/26/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:00 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-50731

Worth County Child Development Center

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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.
04/26/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/08/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/26/2021	Licensing Study	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-#2-1L-3's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	B-#1-2L-3's	Three Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	C-#3-4L-3's	Three Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D-#5-3R-4's	Four Year Olds	2	12	C	30	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E-#4-2R-3's & 4's	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	F-#6-1R-4's	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and GA PreK	2	14	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G-Back Wing-#9-1L-1's & 2's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	6	C	18	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	H-Back Wing-#8-1R-1's & 2's	Three Year Olds	2	4	C	26	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	I-Back Wing-# 7-2R-1's & 2's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 175			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks			
Total # Children this Date: 97		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 175			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A- 3's & 4's	221	C
Main	Playground B-1's & 2's	22	C

Comments

A monitoring visit was conducted on April 26, 2022 with the director.

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/Regulations.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



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!

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)

Joyce Cuffie, Program Official	Date
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Sondra Paster, Consultant	Date
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Debrik Perry, Consultant	Date
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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

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)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1.08 Children's Records

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that parents are signing children in and out, daily. Staff should no longer be signing children in and out.

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that classroom seven was observed to have hanging cords from a computer, humidifier, and radio.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2022

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****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 following hazards were observed on the outdoor equipment:

1. Four of six swing chains s-hooks were observed to be bent on the right side of the swing which were in use by children.
2. The jungle gym with the large yellow slide was observed to have sharp edges exposed from the peeling plastic and metal on the blue portion of the floor.
3. The jungle gym with the large yellow slide was observed to have deteriorating metal on the floor leading to the arched climber which exposed sharp edge to children.
4. The jungle gum with the large yellow slide was observed to have chipping paint on the yellow portions of the jungle gym.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

Health and Hygiene**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

The center does not provide care for infants.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 30****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 06/25/2011	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/30/2017	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/24/1974	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 07/18/2002	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/11/2001	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 05/19/2019	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 10/15/2020	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 07/11/2011	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 07/15/2016	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 09/22/2005	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 02/25/1997	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 10/21/2016	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 05/01/2006	
Staff # 14	Met

Date of Hire: 10/06/1984

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 07/14/2017

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 09/03/2016

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 09/02/2008

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/1993

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 08/29/2016

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 10/18/2021

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 12/07/2020

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 10/01/1993

Staff # 23 Met

Date of Hire: 01/31/2006

Staff # 24 Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 25 Met

Date of Hire: 07/14/2015

Staff # 26 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2021

Staff # 27 Met

Date of Hire: 11/07/2016

Staff # 28 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2020

Staff # 29 Met

Records Reviewed: 30

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 09/17/2007

Staff # 30

Met

Date of Hire: 02/01/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 15

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided files for two employees hired since last visit on December 8, 2021.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/26/2021

Corrected on 4/26/2022

Previous citation corrected. Consultant reviewed completed staff ongoing training for 2021.

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

Met

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

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.