



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/15/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:45 AM **Departure:** 2:50 PM

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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.
08/15/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/12/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
05/01/2024	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	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: Threes	Three Year Olds	2	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	1R: School-age		0	0	C	47	C	NA	NA	
Main	2L: Pre-K	GA PreK	2	20	C	31	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	3L: Pre-K	GA PreK	2	18	C	40	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	4L: Twos	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	15	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	5L: ones	One Year Olds	2	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	6L: infants	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	30	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 208			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 79		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 208			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	42	C
Main	B	30	C
Main	C	53	C

Comments

A licensing study was completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/15/2024

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.decga.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@decga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



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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

Discussed cleaning or replacing the carpet in the first left classroom with the director on this date.

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable on this date.

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

Parent authorizations obtained on completed on this date.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized on this date.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by the center on this date.

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 the following was not in good repair:

First Left Classroom

- * The back corner and corner edge of the children's counter top was cracked with exposed wood and tape at the back edge of the counter top.
- * The toilet seat was broken with duck tape holding the seat in place in the children's bathroom.
- * Discolored grout was present at the base of the toilet in the children's bathroom.
- * The counter top walls and mirror were not clean surrounding and in front of the children's sink area.
- * The vent was dusty in the children's bathroom.

Second and Third Left Ga-PreK Classrooms

- * The borders surrounding the back of the toilets were detached from the walls.
- * Discolored grout was present at the base of the toilets.
- * The light in the first bathroom for children was not wired properly. When the light is flipped to the on position on one side, the light turned off on a child in the adjacent side.
- * The edge of the children's counter top was cracked which posed as a pinching hazard.

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: 8/29/2024

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

Met

Comment

Playgrounds observed to be clean and in good repair on this date.

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

Not Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines on this date.

Comment

Please ensure that bottles are covered and fully labeled with child's full name at the beginning of the day.

Finding

591-1-1-.15(2)(a) requires Center Personnel to hold and feed infants less than six months of age and older children who cannot hold their own bottles or sit alone. Baby bottles shall never be propped; the infant's head shall be elevated while feeding. It was determined based on observation an infant was observed feeding themselves inside of a crib with a bibb around their neck instead of being held or in a safety approved feeding chair as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to hold infants less than six months old or who can not hold their own bottle, to never prop bottles and to elevate infant's heads during feeding. The director will monitor Staff to ensure appropriate feeding procedures are followed.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2024

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized on this date.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands on this date.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) N/A

Comment

The center currently does not dispense or administer medication on this date.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures Met

Comment

Program observed to have completed emergency drills as required on this date.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting Met

Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals N/A

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises on this date.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR) Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date.

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

Comment

A current and completed inspection was observed for the vehicle used in transporting children on this date. Vehicle with tag number ending in 987SD was completed on March 1, 2024.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed on this date.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date. Vehicle with tag number ending in 31113 was not in use at this time.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with infant staff and director on this date.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that a crib mattress are firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least 2 inches thick and covered with a waterproof and washable material. Before a change of occupant, each mattress shall be cleaned with a disinfectant. The director reported will order mattress covers and/or new mattresses and submit documentation and pictures to the Department by COB: August 29, 2024. Two cribs were removed and will be replaced prior to infants utilizing them as there were 6 cribs out of 13 being used on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2024

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-.14 First Aid & CPR	Met
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Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR on this date.

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

Documentation observed of required staff training for 2023 as required.

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Please ensure that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. Consultant provided TA discussions with the staff members regarding supervising children during mealtimes as they shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. Staff members read and signed acknowledgment forms on this date.

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