



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/22/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:20 AM

Departure: 1:00 PM

CCLC-53769

KinderCare Learning Center #1197

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Same

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.
09/22/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/23/2023	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
04/26/2023	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- LFM (4-12 yrs)	Three Year Olds	1	8	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B-LBRC		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	C-LFC (2yrs)	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	D-RF (3yr)	Two Year Olds	3	14	C	27	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	E-R1L	One Year Olds	2	8	C	18	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	F-R2L (6mths- 12 mths)	Infants and One Year Olds	3	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Art,Free Play
Main	G- R3L(6wks- 6mths)	Infants	1	3	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Story
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 131			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 53			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

The purpose of the visit is to follow up on previous visit and to conduct a Monitoring Visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/22/2023

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.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

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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Eric Rogers, Program Official

Date

Neli Todorova, Regional Consultant

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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

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

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)

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.25 - Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Organization

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

Defer

591-1-1-.16(f)-Previous citation was deferred as the Director stated that Government Relations for the company had started gathering the documents needed for the Amendments and will be submitting shortly.

Room B (split room) was observed to not be in use.

There was an exhaust added in room D and there was a diaper table and a sink there. The room type will be changed at the time together with the Amendment to split the rooms.

Room C will be coded as a non-diaper room.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 5/3/2023

Safety

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

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

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)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(4) - Please ensure that there are signed agreements with the parents to move two-and-a-half-year-old children to a three year-old-room. Consultant shared a sample form with the Director on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/22/2023

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.