



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/19/2024 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up

Arrival: 10:35 AM **Departure:** 1:15 PM

CCLC-666

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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.
08/19/2024	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
07/10/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
05/07/2024	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	T Back L Hall 1R		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	U Back R Hall	Three Year Olds	2	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	O Main Hall 2L	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	A 1R Hall 1R		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	B 1R Hall 2R		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	D 1R Hall 4R		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	E 1R Hall 5R	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	F 1R Hall 3L	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	G 1R Hall 2L	Infants and Two Year Olds	2	5	C	19	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	H 1R Hall 1L	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	I L Hall 1L		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Main	J L Hall 2L		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	L 2R Hall 2L		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	P Main Hall 3L	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	21	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	R Main Hall 4L	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	21	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Free Play
Main	S Back L Hall 2R		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	C 1R Hall 3R		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	K Hall 2L		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Main	M 2R Hall 1L		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	N Main Hall 1L		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 382

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Large Playground	368	C
Main	Small Playground	52	C

Comments

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a Plan of Improvement visit and follow up on the last visit May 7, 2024.

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/RuleAndRegulations.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!



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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

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)

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

591-1-1-15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

	Safety
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591-1-1-.05 Animals	Met
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Correction Deadline: 5/29/2024

Corrected on 8/19/2024

.05(1) - A Plan of Improvement for rule violation 591-1-1-.05, cited at an incident investigation, was created August 1, 2024.

If stray animals are seen on the premises prior to pick up or dismissal, staff will notify parents and transportation services to not allow children to exit vehicles until the animals are captured. If stray animals are seen on the premises, a designated staff member will walk the perimeter of the facility to ensure that the animals have not moved to another location out of sight of the cameras. It will be placed in writing to all transportation drivers that they are not to unload children under any circumstances until the designated time. This will ensure that staff members are present before children are unloaded and they can assess the area for any danger.

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

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

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

	Staffing and Supervision
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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.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.