



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/1/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:00 AM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

CCLC-3990

Sanctuary Child Learning And Development Center

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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.
05/01/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/24/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/11/2023	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
Building 2	Room 1	Infants	2	8	C	9	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap,Floor Play
Building 2	Room 2	Infants	2	3	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Building 2	Room 3	One Year Olds	2	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Building 2	Room 4	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Floor Play
Building 2	Room 5	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap
Building 2	Room 6	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Nap
Building 2	Room 7	Infants and One Year Olds	2	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Nap,Floor Play
Building 2	Room 8	Infants and One Year Olds	2	7	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 77					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Main	1st left 209 A	Four Year Olds	1	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	1st right 206	Four Year Olds	2	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Snack,Transitioning
Main	2nd left 209 B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	13	C	NA	NA	Snack,Transitioning
Main	2nd right 204	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Snack
Main	3rd left 207	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	11	C	NA	NA	Circle Time,Outside

Main	3rd right 202	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside,Art
Main	4th left 205	Four Year Olds	1	11	C	14	C	NA	NA	Snack,Transitioning
Main	5th left 203	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	6th left 201	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	12	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	A	One Year Olds	2	12	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Snack
Main	B	One Year Olds	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Snack,Transitioning
Main	C	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	12	C	13	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Transitioning,Outside
Main	D	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	13	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	F	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	G	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	13	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Centers
Main	H	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 230					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 236					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 307					
					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building 2	Infant Playground	36	C
Main	Large Preschool	41	C
Main	Small Toddler	31	C

Comments

A Licensing Study was conducted on this date.

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

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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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Parent agreements observed obtained/completed.

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/27/2023

Corrected on 5/1/2024

.25(19) - The previous citation has been corrected. The classroom has been added to the center's license.

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**

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Comment

Per the staff, the center has not dispensed any medication since the last visit.

Policies and Procedures

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

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills as required.

Safety

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) **N/A**

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Cribs and cots were observed to be in good condition.

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.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR	Met
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Comment

Evidence observed of more than 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

Documentation observed of required staff training for the year 2023.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)	Technical Assistance
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Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)3.(ii)(I) - (VIII) - Discussed developing a written plan for newly hired lead teacher's who do not possess the educational credential or degree listed in 591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2.(i) through (xii). Please ensure a copy of the plan is placed in the staff file. The consultant emailed the center a copy of the sample plan from the Bright from the start website..

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2024

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.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.