



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/14/2024 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 7:30 AM **Departure:** 11:00 AM

CCLC-17661

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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.
08/14/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
07/25/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
07/03/2024	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	A Pre-K 2	GA PreK	2	15	C	33	C	46	C	Circle Time
Main	B Pre-K 1	GA PreK	2	16	C	18	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	C (3 Year Olds)	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	15	C	NA	NA	Breakfast,Circle Time
Main	D (3 Year Olds)		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	E (2 Year Olds)	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Breakfast
Main	F (1 Year Olds)	One Year Olds	1	5	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	G (Infants)	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap,Diapering,Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 134					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 134					
Total # Children this Date: 64					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 134					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant/Toddler Playground	17	C
Main	Large Playground	171	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit.

New staff files and transportation records were available for the consultant to review.

No citations were observed on this date.

An exit conference discussing the monitoring visit report was conducted with the director on this date. An email with the monitoring visit report was emailed to the director for signature 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.decgal.ga.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@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 Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

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

591-1-1-35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

Swimming was not provided during the summer of 2024.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

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

591-1-1-25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/18/2024

Corrected on 8/14/2024

.26(6) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The ramp was observed to be repaired on this date.

Fluff and redistribute resilient surfacing around big playground equipment and swing.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

	Safety
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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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Correction Deadline: 3/7/2024

Corrected on 8/14/2024

.36(7)(a) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed complete documentation of transportation records on this date.

	Sleeping & Resting Equipment
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591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)	Technical Assistance
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Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 - Discuss ensuring sheets brought in by the parent are tight fitting. Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Washing of sheets and disinfecting of mat was discussed with the staff on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2024

	Staff Records
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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-.31 Staff(CR)	Met
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Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

	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.