



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 11/7/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

**Arrival:** 10:30 AM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

**CCLC-33291**

**Golden Isles YMCA**

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**Quality Rated:** ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.
11/07/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/10/2022	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
04/25/2022	Licensing Study	Deficient	

  

<b>Good Standing</b>	- Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
<b>Support</b>	- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.
<b>Deficient</b>	- Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

**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	1st Left- Pre-K		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	1st Right- Pre-K		0	0	C	24	C	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Left- Two's		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Right- Office		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main	3rd Left- One's		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	3rd Right- Three's		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	Aerobic		0	0	C	74	C	NA	NA	
Main	AS Wing- Meeting Room		0	0	C	19	C	26	C	
Main	AS Wing- Multi-Purpose	PreK	2	15	C	28	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning
Main	AS Wing- Resource Room		0	0	C	14	C	19	C	
Main	AS Wing- Youth Room	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	17	NC	NA	NA	Centers, Lunch, Nap, Transitioning
Main	AS Wing-1st Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	19	C	18	NC	26	C	Nap, Transitioning, Lunch
Main	Gym		0	0	C	229	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 523

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 543

Total # Children this Date: 52

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground 1	61	C
Main	Playground 2	329	C

**Comments**

The purpose of today's visit is a Monitoring Visit. The center does not provide routine transportation, field trips, swimming activities, or administer medications.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/07/2022

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



**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](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(j)(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](http://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.'





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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)**

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based on observation that in classroom AS Wing- Youth Room, a television was in the classroom on a cart and was not secured to the cart to prevent tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. Additionally, there were two stacks of chairs with five chairs in each stack in classroom AS Wing- 1st Right that could potentially be pushed or pulled over.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure that the identified equipment or furniture and any other such existing or future items are secured adequately and will have a system for checking these for stability.

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2022**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that each classroom has table space for each child who is able to sit at a table unassisted and an appropriately sized chair or bench for each child who is not an infant and who is able to use a chair or bench. Please ensure that all temporary classrooms have adequate table space and an appropriately sized chair for each child for meals and activities.

**Correction Deadline: 12/7/2022**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility**

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**591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that classroom AS Wing- 1st Right contained 19 children in a room licensed for 18 children. Additionally, classroom AS Wing- Youth Room contained 18 children in a room licensed for 17 children.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2022**

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**591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 6/10/2022****Corrected on 11/7/2022**

**.25(13) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No hazards were observed accessible to children on this date.**

**Correction Deadline: 6/24/2022****Corrected on 11/7/2022**

**.25(3) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All peeling paint has been repaired.**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 4/25/2022****Corrected on 11/7/2022**

**.26(8) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The playground structure has been removed and there are no longer fall zones that require resilient surfacing.**

<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that Center Staff do not permit children to wear items around their necks including necklaces or other hazardous items.

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2022**

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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Not Met****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that all diapered children are housed in a physical space that has sufficient ventilation in the diapering area with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open. Please ensure that if diapered children will need to be housed in a separate space outside of their regular classroom, that the space is licensed for diapering children and has sufficient ventilation as required.

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2022****Finding**

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that classroom AS Wing- 1st Right, that house 8 one-year-old children and 11 two-year-old children, was using a temporary classroom that did not have a diaper changing surface that was smooth, nonporous, and equipped with guard rails as required. Additionally, staff stated that diaper changes were being completed on a counter without a guard rail or on a mat that was not nonporous.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2022**

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

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined based on observation that in classrooms AS Wing- 1st Right and AS Wing- Youth Room there was no liquid hand soap present for handwashing as required. Additionally, center staff stated that they were using hand sanitizer in place of liquid soap.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2022**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

**Safety**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that all sleeping and resting equipment shall be arranged to avoid obstructing access to exit doors, to provide the caregivers access to each child, and to prevent children's access to cords hanging from window treatments and other hazardous objects. To reduce the transfer of airborne diseases, sleeping and resting equipment shall be arranged as follows. There shall be a minimum of twenty-four inch (24") corridor between each row of sleeping or resting equipment. There shall be a minimum of twelve inches (12") between each piece of sleeping or resting equipment in each row of equipment. Children shall be placed on cots and mats so that one child's head is toward another child's feet in the same row.

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2022**

**Staff Records**

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 05/06/2022	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 08/11/2021	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/10/2016	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 11/08/2021	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 11/11/2016	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 05/21/2021	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/09/2022	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 08/10/2022	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 08/15/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 11/08/2021	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 03/15/2021	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/07/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 05/05/2021	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 02/01/2021	Met

**Records Reviewed: 17**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 16

Met

Date of Hire: 10/17/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 17

Met

Date of Hire: 08/11/2016

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4**

**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 files for employees hired the since last visit.

**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure the initial Center orientation to include the following subjects: the Center's policies and procedures; the portions of these rules dealing with the care, health and safety of children; the Staff person's assigned duties and responsibilities; reporting requirements for suspected cases of child abuse, neglect or deprivation; communicable diseases and serious injuries; emergency weather plans; the program's emergency preparedness plan; childhood injury control; the administration of medicine; reducing the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS); hand washing; fire safety; water safety; and prevention of HIV/AIDS and blood borne pathogens. Please ensure that an orientation is completed for each staff member prior to assignment with children or task.

**Correction Deadline: 11/8/2022**

**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)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.