



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 11/10/2021 **VisitType:** Follow-Up

Arrival: 9:40 AM

Departure: 11:50 AM

CCLC-32801

East Lake Early Learning Academy

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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.
11/10/2021	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
10/26/2021	Incident Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
08/19/2021	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	

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.

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	1R-Hungry Catpillers	Infants and One Year Olds	2	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	2R-Busy Spiders	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	13	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	3R-Curious Crickets	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	4R-Brown Bears	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	5L-1R Green Frogs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	22	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Story
Main	6L-2R Yellow Ducks	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	17	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Story
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 111						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 74			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 111			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	21	C
Main	B	32	C

Comments

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

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/10/2021

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/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



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.state.ga.us/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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)

LaTasha Gray, Program Official

Date

Kesha McNeal, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2021

Corrected on 11/10/2021

.29(3) - Previous citation observed corrected in that center staff as well as the director has stated proper knowledge regarding required reporting.

Safety

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2021

Corrected on 11/10/2021

.11(2) - Previous citation was observed corrected in that a positive learning environment was observed throughout the facility.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - Please ensure that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space.

Correction Deadline: 11/10/2021

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 16

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Records Reviewed: 16

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 09/14/2020	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 03/01/2012	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 07/30/2014	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 09/21/2021	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 07/28/2014	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 08/09/2021	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 06/21/2021	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 07/26/2021	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 08/06/2021	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 07/26/2021	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 09/27/2011	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 09/26/2011	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

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

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2021

Corrected on 11/10/2021

.32(7) - Previous citation observed corrected in that adequate supervision was observed on this date.